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THE KENTUCKY METROPOLIS.

Society's Many Hued and Interesting Happenings—The

Married Ladies' Club's Inaugural—The Coming "Grand Masque"—The S. O. H and Princesses Banquet.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Miss Julia Mace has returned from Shephardsville, Ky. W. Scott will go to Long Run, Ky., to take charge of a school. Mrs. Emiline L. Thomas has returned to New Liberty Station, Ky. She was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. Bellinger, 601 Merriwether avenue. Mrs. Betsy Gray has returned from Chicago, Ill. The Married Ladies' club gave its inaugural full dress party last Thursday, Jan. 25th. Miss Ida Lewis left for her home, Chicago, last Friday, after several weeks' stay here with her many friends. Clarence McKoin has returned to his home at St. Louis, Mo. Dr Sarah H. Fitzbutler has gone to Essex county, Ontario, Canada, in company with Mrs. Rachel J. Lewis, of Chicago, Ill., to visit her mother and friends Mrs. Nellie Jones Bright has returned to her home at Savannah, Ga., after a visit of a few weeks at the bedside of her father, Q B. B. Jones, who is slowly improving from a severe illness. Miss Nellie Holmes, of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting here. Miss Minnie Crutchfield has returned from her trip to Indianapolis, where she attended the funeral of her sister. Clarence Mayo has returned to Chicago after a three weeks' visit to his mother, Mrs. Julia Taylor. James Simms received news of a relative at Port Royal, Ky., being very ill. He left immediately last Thursday afternoon. Mr. Maxie Wright has returned from Shelbyville, Ky. Mrs. Mary Dean lies very ill at 507 Bland street. Robt. L. Anderson left last Sunday for Naples, Fla. Geo. Nugent is very ill. Mrs. Mary V. Deathridge, of Chicago, is here visiting friends and relatives. She is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Emma Robinson, 2808 W Walnut street. Mrs. Emma J, Jackson will give a Coffee social at her residence, 1125 Magazine street, for the benefit of the Ladies Relief Corps No. 10, on Saturday, Feb. 10th. Admission free. Mrs. Hardy Hill entertained Mesdames James S. Bryant, and Lottie Barnett, of Omaha, Neb., at tea last Thursday afternoon, at her residence, 1026 Washington street. Dr and Mrs. C. H. Phillips entertained a few friends at tea last Wednesday afternoon, in honor of the doctor's birthday, at their cozy home, 1504 Jackson street. Mrs. C. V. Paris, of Chicago, after a fortnight's stay in the city, guest of Mr. and Mrs W. H. Steward, 825 Eighth street, left for a week's visit at Cincinnati, thence home. Miss Jessie Carter entertained Messrs. Wm Evans and Clarence Mayo, of Chicago, and others, at her residence last Friday evening. Invitations are out for the Grand Mask ball to be given Feb. 5th, by the Pink Rose socials. The Independent Sons of Honor and Grand Princesses gave a grand banquet and reception at their magnificent Temple last Thursday evening, to friends and members of the orders.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Will L Gray is assisting Secretary Wilkinson this month. The Ladies' Auxiliary will give a reception to members and friends Feb. 5th. A majority of the memberships are now due. It is desirous that all whose memberships have expired, will renew promptly and thus secure the continued advantages of the Association. The secretary will call on you at an early date. Be ready to renew. The anniversary will be celebrated Feb. 4th, with a large mass meeting. Secretary Hunton will be present and deliver the principal address. The Y. M C. A Quartett will sing and other attractions will be ready. Look out for further particulars. Dr. Ellis D. Whedbee, late assistant resident physician, Freedman's Hospital, and physician to Fondlings' home, Washington, D. C., favored the meeting last Sunday afternoon with an interesting address. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Staten lost their infant child, Esther, last Monday evening. The funeral took place from their residence. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Brown's infant child died very suddenly last Wednesday and was buried from their residence, 1208 Oldham street. Mrs. Lucy Langston, wife of Robt. L. Langston, of 937 Tenth street, died last Wednesday evening, after an illness of several months Her funeral took place from Centre Street church Friday afternoon at 2 p. m. She was a member of several societies here. She leaves a husband, sister and many friends. Jesse Shipp, an old and respected citizen, died very suddenly last Saturday afternoon while lifting a barrel of merchandise in a wagon. His funeral took place from Green Street Baptist church last Tuesday morning. He leaves a wife, son and several grand children. He was a lover of charity and spent much of his spare time in the especial interest of the Old Folks' home. Resolutions of condolence and respect were adopted by the directors of the home. P. A. Doughty is not improving. Dr. C. M. Wade, councilman at Harrodsburg, Ky., is in the city. Subscribe for The Freeman, W. G. Moore, 1639 Oak street, agent. Look for the collector.

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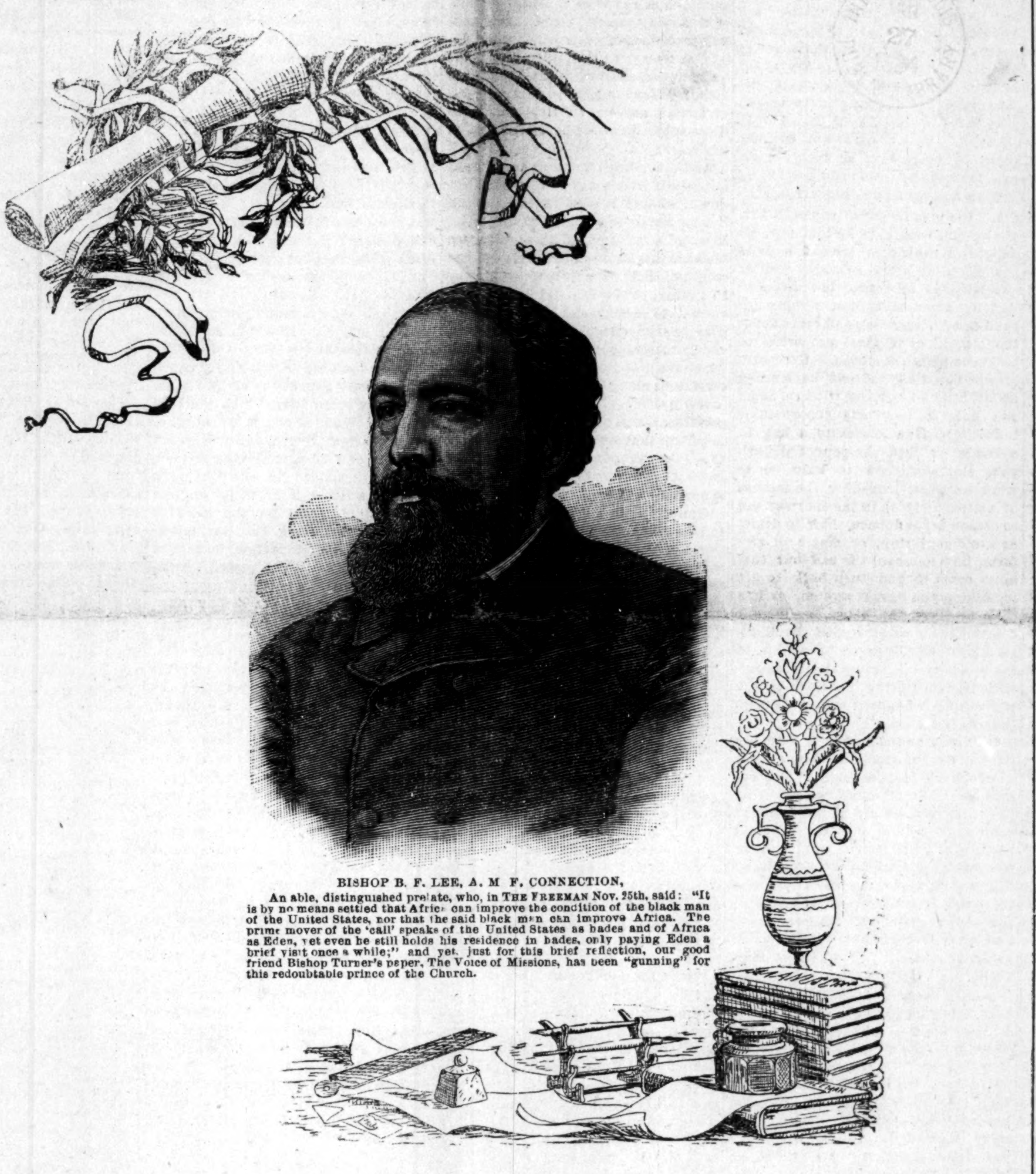

BISHOP B. F. LEE, A. M F. CONNECTION,

An able, distinguished prelate, who, in THE FREEMAN Nov. 25th, said: "It is by no means settled that Africa can improve the condition of the black man of the United States, nor that the said black man can improve Africa. The prime mover of the 'call' speaks of the United States as hades and of Africa as Eden, yet even he still holds his residence in hades, only paying Eden a brief visit once a while;" and yet, just for this brief reflection, our good friend Bishop Turner's paper, The Voice of Missions, has been "gunning" for this redoubtable prince of the Church.

LITARARY SOCIAL CLUB.

Banquet—Large Attendance—Grand Ball for the "Juniors."

Fort Smith, Ark., Special.

The Young Ladies' and Gents' Occidental Literary Social Club gave a grand select banquet at Bridges Hall, of which Misses Maralee Johnson, Pinne Bridges, Jessie Landfair and Lillie Whitman were chaperons of the crowd. At 12:30 supper was had. The hall was beautifully decorated with evergreens and flowers. Those present were Misses Lillian C. Bell, Anna E. Lewis, Maud S. Bridges, Nannie Nance, Rhoda Watson, Rachel Isom, Lizzie McDavid, Jannie D. Davis, May V. Pryor, Anna Williams, Matilda McClish, V. Ada Cordon, Bessie Watson, Lulia Roseman, Messrs. Greely Boone, Augustus Ark, Lee Pryor, Lewis Chilton, George Dean, George McDavid, Joseph Blair, Wesley Frison, Ira Franklin, Emmet Wiley, Jesse Montague, Eddie Davis, Right Furgerson and Joseph Kelley. Prof. Arnett is a recent visitor to our city; he is traveling in the interest of Shorter University. A social was was given at Quinns chapel in honor of the Professor, Thursday evening, Jan, 18th. He delivered a lecture, Subject, "Men or things, which?" He was presented with the sum of $20.00 in behalf of the A. M. E. church by Miss Maralee V. Johnson; the money being appropriated for the Shorter University at Arkadelphia. William Patterson and Miss Minnie Hayes were married at the Second Baptist church, Jan., 18th, 1894. There was a grand ball at Bridges hall, given for the benefit of the Junior Brass band. The committee was Mrs. Frances Bolin, Mrs. Jane Bolin, Mrs. Pryor and Mrs. Hereil. Sevoir Devaney who has been seriously ill, is on the streets again.

Series of Entertainments.

Baltimore, Md., Special.

The following superb talent of Baltimore will assist Flora Batson in conconcert, Feb., 6th, at John Wesley church; Lloyd G. Gibbs, tenor, Baritone; Madam Sarah E. Wilson, soloist, prima donna; Prof. Geo. E. Davis, basso profoundo; Mme. Elizabeth E. Ward, pianist. A grand month for pleasure seekers; Feb. 12th and 26th the great series of entertainments will commence on the 12th and 26th inst., at John Wesley M. E. church. There will be a grand basket entertainment given at Ebenezer A. M. E. church. The Rev. Mrs. Gowens is improving. Mrs. Sarah Brown who has been quite sick with la grippe is on the mend. Mrs. Bradford has been quite sick for three or four weeks but is greatly improved. Willie Tunstell has a fine cigar manufactory at 435 N. Denid Hill Ave., city. H. H. Smith has a very fine book and job printing office. John Towvin has removed from his old place of business on Loden Hall St. to 206 W. Hill St. Sharp St. M. E. church has a revival going on. Mrs. Colic and family are improving slowly. Rev. Dr. G. W. Kincade is doing a grand work. Rev. Dr C. N. Grandeson gave a lecture at Metropolitan M. E. church last week. Prof. John B. Scott read a poem before John Wesley M. E. Sunday school Last Sunday afternoon.

Razor Club Receives a Hearing.

Harrisburg, Pa., Special.

The Bethel A. M. E. church is holding a very successful revival, the Wesley also. The Razor club received their hearing on the 23rd. T. Hall was let go. The Springdale band had a large crowd at the Armory on the 17th. Charles Madison has opened a baking powder manufacturing establishment in Harrisburg. Four colored graduates from the high school this year. Fred Carrington took a trip to Philadelphia last week. Charles Madison would like to hear rom a colored tinner.

SEEMS TO BE LOOSING HER

Mind—Zion A. M. E. Church Elects Officers.

Bishop Wayman Tomorrow--Baptist Mission Dedicated—An Afro-American Tragedienne—Personals.

Wilmington, Del., Special.

The literary at the A. M. E. Zion church has elected the following officers: President, W. H. Clayton; Vice, E. Brown; Secretary, Miss Lambert; Ass't secretary, Miss Elmira Wiggins; Treasurer, Miss Carrie Freeman; Marshal, James Hinson. The question for debate Jan. 17th, was "Resolved, that the Negro of the United States of America, should immigrate to Africa," affirmative Isaac W. Howard; negative, Benjamin E. Brown. Miss Maggie Hill died at the residence of her sister, Miss Helen Hill, Jan. 13. She was buried Monday afternoon the 15th inst. Bishop Wayman will be at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday the 28th inst. Quarterly conference was held at Bethel A. M. E. church on Thursday 18th inst. Mr. W. H. Tinstey, the reliable shoemaker, has removed from his old stand, 815 Locust street, to the northwest corner of 8th and Tatnall streets. Rev. Dr. Johnson, editor of the Christian Recorder, preached at Bethel A. M. E. church Thursday evening.

Miss Mary Waters, of 4 W. 12th street, is very ill. Rev. Jacob Butler, of Salem, N. J., preached at Shiloh Baptist church last week. Mr. Isreal Turlington has arrived home from Horntown, Va. Miss Josephine Lendy, the Newport school teacher, who was brutally assaulted by one Gibson, is yet at the hospital in this city; her recovery is doubtful, it is thought that she is loosing her mind. Mr. Obadiah Henry, of Newark, passed through this city on the 19th inst. enroute for Philadelphia, and called at The Freeman office, 849 Windsor street, for a short while. Miss Frances Smith, of Philadelphia, is visiting Miss Lizzie Williams, 1108 Tatnall street. Mrs. Maria Bayard died at her residence 1001 French street, last week, and was buried from Bethel A. M. E. church Saturday afternoon 20th. Mrs. Mary E. Hemsley, of 6 Girard street, was taken quite ill, very suddenly, Thursday the 18th. Miss Annie Shockley has arrived home from Philadelphia.

Miss Alice Kinney was taken very sick at the Baptist Mission, 8th and Scott streets, Sunday 14th, and had to be taken home in a carriage. Miss Mabel Ferris, of New Haven, Conn., is visiting Miss Florence Jefferson, 701 Dupont street. Miss Maggie J. Caldwell, of 431 E. 11th street and Miss Laura Caldwell, of 418 E. 12th street, took a trip to Philadelphia recently. The Baptist Mission, 8th and Scott streets was dedicated Sunday the 14th, by the Rev. H. C. Jones. Miss Sadie L. Strange, the Philadelphia tragedienne, appeared in the same Mission on Thursday evening 18th. The choir of Zion M. E. church has reorganized and any one desiring to join the choir must, before being admitted, pass an examination in music. Maggie Clark has been arrested and fined $5 for drunkardness again. The examination in Miss Mamie Cannon's school at Felton, Del., took place on 18th, 19th and 20th inst. The Delaware annual conference convenes in Zion M. E. church, Wilmington, this year. The original Fisk jubilee singers gave a grand concert in the West Presbyterian church, Thursday evening 18th. Mr. Jas. T. Porter visited Newark, Del., last week. The night school in the high school No. 16, closed last week. The greatest revival is going on this city has had for a long time, hundreds are converted. The Freeman is at the office of James A. Benton, 849 Windsor street, every week, and always contains good reading.

WOULD you go to the very spot where Jesus and his Disciples walked and lived? Then accept THE FREEMAN'S offer on fifth page.

PLEA FOR NEGRO FOLK LORE

We Must Imitate the Example of Other People's and

Preserve from the Rust of Oblivion the Traditions, Habits and Sayings of our Forefathers.

The American Negroes are rising so rapidly from the condition of ignorance and poverty in which slavery left them, to a position among the cultivated and civilized people of the earth, that the time seems not far distant when they shall have cast off their past entirely, and stand, an anomaly among civilized races, as a people having no distinct traditions, beliefs or ideas from which a history of their growth may be traced. If, within the next few years, care is not taken to collect and preserve all traditions and customs peculiar to the Negroes, there will be little to reward the search of the future historian who would trace their history from the African continent through the years of slavery to the position which they will hold a few generations hence. Even now the children are growing up with little knowledge of what their ancestors have thought, or felt, or suffered. The common school system with its teachings is eradicating the old and planting the seeds of the new, and the transition period is likely to be a short one. The old people, however, still have their thoughts on the past, and believe and think and do much as they have for generations. From them and from the younger ones whose thoughts have been moulded by them in regions where the school is, as yet, imperfectly established, much may be gathered that will, when put together and printed, be of great value as material for history and ethnology.

But, if this material is to be obtained, it must be gathered soon and by many intelligent observers stationed in different places. It must be done by observers who enter into the homes and lives of the more ignorant colored people and who see in their beliefs and customs no occasion for scorn, or contempt, or laughter, but only the showing forth of the first child-like, but still reasoning philosophy of a race reaching after some interpretation of its surroundings and its antecedents. To such observers, every custom, belief, or superstition, foolish and empty to others, will be of value and will be worth careful preservation. The work cannot be done by white people, much as many of them would enjoy the opportunity of doing it, but must be done by the intelligent and educated colored people who are at work all through the South among the more ignorant of their own race, teaching, preaching, practicing medicine, carrying on business of any kind that brings them into close contact with the simple, old-time ways of their own people. We want to get all such persons interested in this work, and to get them to note down their observations along certain lines and send them into the editor of the Southern Workman. We hope sooner or later to join all such contributors together into a Fork-Lore Society and to make our work of value to the whole world, but our beginning will be in a corner of the Southern Workman and we have liberty to establish there a department of Folk-Lore Ethnology.

Notes and observations on any or all of the following subjects will be welcomed:

1. Folk-tales. The animal tales about Brer. Fox and Brer. Rabbit and the others have been well told by many white writers as taken down from the lips of Negroes. Some of them have been already traced back to Africa, many are found existing, with slight variations, among Negroes and Indians of South as well as North America. These, with other stories relating to deluges, the colors of different races and natural phenomna of various kinds, form an important body of Negro mythology. Any additions to those already written out and printed, or variations on those already obtained would be of great value.

2. Customs, especially in connection with birth, marriage and death, that are different from those of the whites. Old customs cling longest about such occasions. The old nurse, who first takes the little baby in her arms, has great store of old-fashioned learning about what to do and what not to do, to start the child auspiciously upon the voyage of life. The bride receives many warnings and injunctions upon passing through the gates of matrimony, and the customs that follow death and burial tend to change but little from age to age. What was once regarded as an honor to the dead, or a propitiation of his spirit, must not be neglected, lest the dead seem dishonored, or the spirit—about which we know so little after all—wander forlorn and lonely, or work us ill because we failed to do some little thing that was needful for its rest. And so the old ways linger on about those events of our lives, and through them we may trace back the thoughts and beliefs of our ancestors for generations.

3. Traditions of ancestry in Africa, or of transportation to America. Rev. Dr. Crummell, in his eulogy of Henry Highland Garnett, says of that great man: "He was born in slavery. His father before him was born in the same condition. His grandfather, however, was born a free man in Africa. He was a Mandingo chieftain and warrior, and, having been taken prisoner in a tribal fight, was sold to slave traders, and then brought as a slave to America." If this tradition was preserved for three generations, may there not be others that have been handed from father to son, or from mother to daughter through longer descents? The slavery system as it existed in the United States tended to obscure pedigrees and blot them out entirely by its brutal breaking up of all family ties, but even if only here and there such traditions are still found, they are worth preserving as tending to throw light upon the derivation of the American Negroes.

4. African words surviving in speech or song. Here and there some African word has crept into common use, as goober for peanut, which is manifestly the same as n'gooba, the universal African designation for the same article of food. Are there not other words less common which are African? Do not children sing songs, or count out in their games with words which we may have taken for nonsense, but which really form links in the chain that connects the American with the African Negro? Do not the old people when they tell stories use expressions sometimes that are not English, and that you have passed over as nonsense? Are there songs sung by the fireside, at the camp meeting, or at work, or play, that contain words, apparently nonsensical, that make a refrain or chorus? If there are, note them down, spelling them so as to give as nearly their exact sound as possible and send them in with a note of how they are used.

5. Ceremonies and superstitions. Under this head may be included, all beliefs in regard to the influence of the moon or other heavenly bodies; superstitions in regard to animals of various kinds and their powers for good or evil, as well as all ideas about the medical or magical properties of different plants or stones. Here also may be noted all that can be learned about beliefs in ghosts, witches, hags, and how to overcome supernatural influences. How to cork up a hag in a bottle so that she cannot disturb your slumbers, how to keep her at work all night threading the meshes of a sifter hung up in the doorway and so escape her influence, how to detect or avoid conjuring, or magic in any form, how to escape the bad luck that must come if you turn back to get something you have forgotten, or if a crow flies over the house, or if your eye twitches, or if any of the thousand and one things occur which, in the minds of the ignorant and superstitious, will bring bad luck if the right thing is not done at once to avert the evil influence.

6. Proverbs and sayings. From the time of King Solomon until now there have always been embodied in proverbs many bits of sound wisdom that show the philosophy of the common people. The form that the proverbs and sayings take depend largely upon the habits and modes of thought of the people who make them. Thus a collection of the proverbs of any people shows their race characteristics and the circumstances of life which surround them. Joel Chandler Harris in his "Uncle Remus's Songs and Sayings" has given a series of Plantation Proverbs that shows the quaint humor, the real philosophy and the homely surroundings of the plantation Negroes. A few specimens from his list may call attention to what we mean: "Better de gravy dan no grease 'tall," "Tattlin' 'oman can't make de bread rise," "Mighty po bee dat don't make mo' honey dan he want," "Rooster make mo' racket dan de hin wa't lay de aig." In Mr. Harris' book the Georgia Negro dialect is carefully preserved, but that is not necessary for our work, through adding to its value where it can be done well.

7. Songs, words or music or both The Hampton School has been at some pains to note down and preserve many of the "spirituals" which are probably the best expression so far attained of the religious and musical feeling of the race, but there are innumerable songs of other kinds which have never been taken down here. One of the earliest methods of recording and preserving historical or other knowledge is through the medium of rhythmic and musical utterance. The Iliad of Homer, the great historical psalms of the Hebrew poets, the Norse sagas, the Scotch, English and Spanish ballads, were but the histories of the various races moulded into forms in which they could be sung and remembered by the people. In the absence of written records or of a general knowledge of the art of reading, songs are the ordinary vehicle of popular knowledge. A few years ago, I was listening to the singing of some of our night students. The song was new to me, and at first seemed to consist mainly of dates, but I found as it went along and interpreted itself, that it was a long and fully detailed account of the Charleston earthquake, in which the events of successive days were enumerated, the year being repeated with great fervency again and again in the chorus. Are there not other songs of a similar character that take up older events? Are there not old war songs that would be of permenent value? Are there not songs that take up the condition and events of slavery from other than the religious side? Are there any songs that go back to Africa, or the conditions of life there? What are your people singing about—for they are always singing—at their work or their play, by the fireside or in social gatherings? Find out and write it down, for there must be much of their real life and thought in these as yet uncollected and unwritten songs.

There are many other lines along which observation would be of value for the purpose of gaining a thorough knowledge of the condition—past and present, of the American Negro. Are there any survivors of the later importations from Africa, or are there any Negroes who can say to-day, "My father or my mother was a native African?" If there are, talk with them, learn of them all they can tell you and note it down. Are there any families of Negroes, apparently of pure blood, characterized by straight or nearly straight hair? If there are, do they account for it in any way? What proportion of the colored people in the district where you live are of mixed blood. Give the number of pure and mixed blood. What proportion having white blood have kept any traditions of their white and Negro ancestry so that they know the exact proportion of white to Negro blood? How many have traditions of Indian ancestry? Reports on all these subjects would be in the line of our work.

And now, having shown as fully as is possible within the limits here set down, what it is that the Hampton School desires to do through its graduates and all other intelligent Negroes who are interested in the hisеory and origin of their own race, we would say in closing, that we should be glad to enter into correspondence with any persons who wish to help in this work, and to receive contributions from all who have made or who can make observations along the proposed lines of investigation. Correspondence with prominent men of both races, leads us to believe that we have the possibility ahead of us of valuable scientific study, that in this age when it is hard to open up a new line of research, or add anything to the knowledge of men and manners and beliefs that the world already posesses, we, if we labor earnestly and patiently, may contribute much that shall be of real and permanent value in spreading among men the understanding of their fellowmen as well as in furnishing material for the future historian of the American Negro. Is not this worth doing?

Correspondence in regard to this matter may be addressed to Miss A. M. Bacon, Southern Workman Office, Hampton, Va.,

C. H. & D. Dining Car Service.

One of the first moves of D. G. Edwards after being appointed general passenger agent of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton road was to introduce both the American and European plans on the company's dining cars, and it has proved a success, the operating of the cars in this manner paying better than the old method of $1.00 a meal. Mr. Edwards assigns as a reason for so changing the methods to a little incident which came under his observation: "I was sitting at a table in a dining car when in came a lady and her son, a great big young fellow. 'All I want,' said the lady, 'is a cup of tea and a bit of toast.' 'It will cost you a dollar, madam,' said the waiter, who naturally enough felt in duty bound to warn her. 'Well,' she replied, 'I don't care, I must have them.' And then when the waiter asked the boy what he would have, he said he did not care about anything. I thought they could not afford two dollars, but that the woman, who looked ill, felt she must have the tea and toast, and then it seemed to me that a system that made you pay for a dollar meal whether you ate it or not might be changed to advantage. Aad I think we will be the gainers by the change. In the first place, people who cannot afford a dollar meal, and who never entered the dining car, will now come in and get something."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Afro-American Elected.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

The inhabitants of this city is about 10,000 of which about one-third are Afro-Americans. This is a great tobacco district, there is exported annually about $3,000,000 worth of tobacco. Of course the Afro-Americans do the principal handling and preparing. The city election passed off quietly in which one mayor and ten aldermen were elected, in midst of which one was an Afro-American, in the person of John W. Page; this will make his second term upon the board of aldermen. We can also boast of a Magistrate in the person of J. W. Wheeler and four leter-carriers as follows: J. A. Firse, P. T. Barksdale, A. W. Saunders and J. H. Thompkins. Rev. D. E. Asberry, pastor of St. Peter's A. M. E. church was agreeably surprised Thursday night the 11th, by a donation of about $100,00 worth of provisions.

OBSERVER.

THE HOLIDAYS AT "NORMAL."

A Picture for Memories' Walls—Pleasures Pure and Inspiring.

Normal, Ala., Special.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Being a constant reader of your valuable paper, and knowing of the broad field over which it is circulated, I desire to write you a few lines concerning our school. We can say, as did the little Negro boy in Louisiana, who was asked by a white missionary from the North, what he should tell his people when he returned home, that, "We are rising." Never before in the history of this institution has a more pleasant Christmas been spent by its students than the last. The absence of fireworks, whisky and other unnecessary things did not lessen our pleasures.

Saturday night, December 23d, there was a christmas tree loaded with presents for students, teachers and the poor at our door. The weather was clear during the entire week, and early Christmas morning the students were seen wending their way to the Chapel, there to engage in prayer to God for having been spared to witness another anniversary of the birth of Christ. All work was suspended for the entire week, and students could be seen studying with as much earnestness and zeal as ever. At 11 o'clock a. m. all assembled in the Chapel and listened to an able sermon by Dr. C. O. Boothe. The congregation was held spell bound for more than an hour, when all departed for their respective homes with a better knowledge of Christmas and why we should celebrate it. Notwithstanding the fact that every one seemed to enjoy Christmas, there was not a more pleasant day spent during the entire week than New Year's day. In early twilight merry boys and girls were seen making their way to the Chapel, as on Christmas morning. The fact that it was the day on which Abraham Lincoln declared the Negro a free man, made it the more interesting.

At 11 o'clock a. m., we engaged in song service. Several students expressed a determination to do more for God and the race in the future than they had in the past. One of the principle features of the day was the "open doors" kept at the various halls. The tables were laden with delicious eatables. Well might it be said that this was a real Negro day at Normal. The hour of 7:30 p. m. having arrived, all were assembled in the Chapel to listen to a most interesting program consisting of essays on the works of colored men during the war, poems and other productions from the pens of colord authors. Thus passed Christmas at Normal. Anon.

IRA T. BRYANT.

The Charity Concert.

Decutur, Ill., Special.

The charity concert given by the Afro-American's, and managed by Mrs. Lewis Steward, Mrs. S. Holland, Mrs. Birdie Love and B. Thomas, was a grand success; clearing $80. Mrs. Douglass is improving. The Monitor band played last week for the big giant show. Mrs. Lewis Steward is busy looking after the needy of the city. Week of prayer begins this week at the A. M. E. church. A revival meeting is in progress at the Antioch Baptist church. Memorial services on Bishop Payne at the A. M. E. church, Jan. 28th. Mr. Albert Love is improving. The Odd Fellows elected officers last Thursday night. Rev. Harvey is improving of the grip. D. Steward is improving his barber shop. The ladies of the A. M. E. church gave a sleigh-bell social at the church, and it was a grand success. Mr. Scott, father of Sadie Williamson, is very sick. Miss Oney Williamson, of Springfield, Ill., has returned home, after a pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Earnest.

NORTHEN NEGROES

Taken to Task—Why the Black Man Should Leave the South.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Please allow me space for a few words. My paper comes on time every week and we all are anxious to see it. Speaking about the conditions of the Negro in the South,. I would like to give those people who say let him stay here, a few words of information. Do you know it's written on the brow of every Southerner that he must keep the Nergo down and and to destroy the virtue of every colored lady that he can; and do you know that there are towns in this very State, (Arkansas) and down in Louisiana that, when a colored man goes in the stores he must pull off his hat and then ask for what he wants, and then if one of these exmasters insults your daughter, sister or wife, and you resent it, you are taken to a tree and lynched; if she doesn't except his proposal, she is severely punished and if they attempt to leave on the trains they are caught and brought back. If they get away they have to run away at night; these words are true and are beyond contradiction, if a man doesn't believe this statement let him come and see for him self. There are people here from Lousiana and the men had to run away at night in order to save their lives, and many a poor woman had to sell her virtue to save her life. I dont know who it is that wants the Negro to stay here; but he either doesn't know what our people have to undergo or else he is a Benedict Arnold, one of the two. Dear Bishop Turner you are all right, the people are with you and God is with you; you can go ahead, lead the people onward and a great paper like the Freeman, I hope will crush these kickers out. I believe when God freed the Negro in this country he intended for him to come out, but only a few have obeyed and some of them are a decoy duck; but we will never enjoy our freedom in the South. Go some where. There is no place on earth worse than the South; just think of a man being free and hasen't got sleeping rights, much less speaking rights. The idea of a man of freedom going into a white man's place of business and having to pull off his hat at the door. I say move out; we are too thickly settled, the sooner we thin out the better for us. I thank you Mr. Editor for this space.

Yours for the Race and The Freeman.

S. W. MOORE,
Little Rock' Ark.

"How About the Weather?"

The Weekly Courier-Journal, published at Louisville, Ky., delights in keeping its subscribers guessing. In addition to being the greatest Democratic newspaper published, it has been a pioneer in enterprises that require thought and figuring on the part of its subscribers. The Weekly's estimating contest on the election in 1892, by which $14,400 in gold coin were distributed among forty-five guessers, is a sample of this. The latest guessing offer of this paper is on the weather—that one subject on which we all consider ourselves prophets. The Weekly Courier-Journal proposes to give $1,000 in cash to its subscribers who can name the coldest day in the month of February, 1894, at Louisville, Ky., and guess closest to the lowest temperature on this day. The contest closes January, 31, 1894. Every new subscriber who sends $1 can make one guess; and every old subsciber who renews, sending $1, can guess. Send for a sample copy of the paper for full particulars. Write at once, as the time is short.

Hard on the Preachers.

Charleston, Mo., Special.

The Shiloh Baptist church met by special request to look after Rev, Jas. W. Edwards. The meeting very soon disposed of the case by dismissing him from further pastorial charge of the church, and notified him to give possession of the parsonage at an early date. Our A. M. E. brother, Rev. Jas. Randall has been in hot water this week in an attempt to clear up the wide spread report and complaint and attempted prosecution in the civil courts, for his over familiarity with the young females of the town; there has been strong threats of violence and serious trouble is yet feared. About this time last year he was in the same kind of a case, only worse.

A Fine Sermon.

Level, Harford Co., Md., Special.

Presiding Elder Norris delivered a beautiful discourse to a large congregation at St. James A. M. E. church, Sunday afternoon, text: "And the Door was Shut." Mrs. Maggie Smith, of Philadelphia, is visiting her parents at Level. We are sorry to note that Mrs. Frances Anderson is quite ill. Solomon Cannon has returned from Milford, Del. Walter Banks and his sister, Rachel, have returned to Morgan college, Baltimore. William Pinion, of Washington, D. C., is in Harford. He is looking well. Jeremiah Miller is on the sick list. Henry S. Hilton is able to be out again.

Wedding Festivities.

Tunis, Tex., Special.

The Silver Valley school has something over two hundred scholars in daily attendance. Miss E. B. Gregg is teacher of the third department. Miss Mary E. Williams was married Thursday night, January 11th, at her father's residence, to C. H. Gladen. Prof. L. A. Nash furnished the music for the occasion. Toasts were given by Messrs. J. A. Smith, T. N. Agent, Prof. L. A. Nash and A. L. Jourdan. There was not less than two hundred people present.

The Marrying Season.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.

The Eastman hotel opened on the 25th inst. The Odd Fellows held their annual banquet on last Friday. The sexton of Roanoke Baptist church, Jno. Franklin, was married on Sunday night, Jan. 14th. We are in the marrying season just now. W. F. Hill, mail carrier, and Chas. Robinson, guitarist, have within the past two or three weeks joined the great benedictive army. Pastor Bennett was in Little Rock last week on business connected with the college.

A Select Affair.

Decatur, Ala., Special.

A grand time was had on the evening of Jan., 12th, (Friday) at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. J. Sykes. The guests were Messrs. C. N. McDaniels, George Murphy, R. J. Jackson, Hulett Banks, Elijah Walker, J. J. McDonald, James Murphy, Richard Raney, Howard Banks, and Misses Maggie McKinney, Bertha Shardies, Ida Banks, Tulie Shardies, Calista Banks, Jennie Carpenter, Laura Wise, Samantha Boalwan, and Mary D. Johnson. Given by Miss Maggie McKinney and Miss Bertha Shardies.

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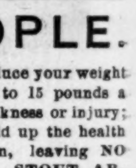
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AN AFRICAN CHIEF INDEED.

Khama, of Bechuanaland, Brave as a Lion, Gentle as a Lamb.

His Life is a Poem of Tribute to Civilization and Christianity—A Most Interesting Sketch.

To the Editor of The Freeman:

I take pleasure in bringing before your readers the case of an African Chief worthy to be known wherever the black man lives and thrives. Khama, the Chief of Bechuanaland, a man well called chief. He not only throws away the fetish and the waist cloth for the knowledge of the true God and the use of European dress, but he reaches out and embraces European civilization as a whole, and men well call him a model African King. His history as given by the Anti Slavery Reporter is as follows:

KHAMA, A MODEL AFRICAN KING.

Apologists for slavery are never weary of asserting that it was for the African's good that he was dragged from his home into slavery, just as if it would have been impossible to carry the torch of civilization and christianity to him in his native home—just as St. Agustine and other monks brought the gospel to the ancient Briton. Dr. Johnston, a well known Jamaica physician, traveling quite recently in Africa, bears witness to the worth of this excellent man in the pages of the Anti-Slavery Reporter:

A JOURNEY ACROSS AFRICA.

"A representative of Reuter's Agency had an interview lately with Dr. James Johnson, who has just reached England on his return from an adventurous journey of 4,500 miles across Africa from West to East. Dr. Johnson, who is one of the best known physicians in the Island of Jamaica, started in the spring of 1891. On December 3, 1891, he safely reached Lealui, the capital of Barotse Valley. After spending some seven weeks with the Barotse King, Dr. Johnson concluded his journey down the Zambesi to the Victoria Falls, when he left the river and journeying south south-east, crossed the Kalahari desert. Here he entered Kahama's country; lived with the King at Palapye for a month, and proceeded along the wagon road through Mashonaland, via Forts Tuli and Victoria to Salisbury. The journey was then continued to Umtali, through Manicaland, where at Masi kessi he had to abandon his wagon and proceed with carriers through the little known country of Gorongoza, situated to the north of the terminus of the Beira railway. At this point he struck north-east, and again reached the Zambesi at the Portuguese town of Sena. Taking boat he deconded the Ziwiziwi river, and turned northwards along the Shire to Chiromo, in Nyassaland, proceeding, via. Blantyre to Lake Nyassa. After thoroughly exploring the lake, Dr. Johnson resumed his eastward course, reaching Chinde, at the mouth of the Zambesi, after a weary journey from the West Coast of nearly two years.

"During his stay with Khama and with the Liwalika, the Barotse King, Dr Johnson had ample opportunity of judging of the attude of these chiefs towards the whites. Speaking of the campaign, Dr. Johnson said: 'I cannot speak too highly of Khama, both as a christian and a gentleman. He is a living example of what may be effected in Central Africa as the result of civilization.'

"When I was at Palapye, the new town thus created, I could with difficulty credit the missionary who told me that this fine capital of Khama's was the Aladdin work of a single half year. Beautifully laid out in long avenues, each spacious round but detached from its fellows, and provided with its courtyard; carpenters' and blacksmiths' shops, occupied by busy workmen; an immence 'store,' where natives in crowds brought blankets, and trousers, and plows all the day long, and a few yards away a brand new telegraph office, with a wire along which one could converse withedso Town and with Europe—this great native town of Palapye was certainly one of the most wonderous of all the sights in Africa. And when I heard from Mr. Hepburn, the missionary, who was then Khama's chief white friend and adviser, that all this was Khama's own work, that he had himself originated, organized and carried out down to the minutest detail the immense work of transporting his capital seventy miles from its former site, I could not but own that there must be some amount of truth in the stories of Khama's capability, which I had sometimes been inclined to regard as apocryphal.

"Presently I saw the King himself, and had an opportunity of judging his character in the light of physiognomy. To say the truth, there was nothing very extraordinary about him at first sight, unless it was his unusual height—six feet one. His son, who was with him, was even taller. Khama's face, however, will bear looking into. It is a face pre-eminently marked by lines of cogitation. Khama is a man who does his own thinking. His spare figure and slightly stooping shoulders accorded with his furrowed forehead. He speaks in a low and shy way. His attire was the ordinary garb of an European; his tall, lath-like son was in smart European hunting costume, with breeches and crop. With all the South Africans who come in contact with civilization, the first impulse seems to be to get the European gun, and second, to get the European clothes. They will get hat, jacket and trousers and shirt if they can; hat alone if the others are out of their power co obtain.

THE CHIEF'S MEMORIES.

It may be surmised that the life of a native chief like Khama is not barren of adventure or incident, notwithstanding the narrowness of the sphere in which it is lived. When Mosellkatsi came from Natal with his Zulu warriors to found the kingdom of marauders against whom Khama has now joined us to fight, Khama's father, the chief Sekhome, sent Khama and his mother away into the heart of the Kalahari Desert, there to seek safety under the care of the Masarwa bushmen. They led a miserable existence. No corn could be sown, no gardens dug, Only a few melon seeds were put into the ground. Their drinking water they sucked out of the ground with reeds. Khama escaped the assegais of the migrate Zulus, progenitors of the Matabele; but his father's kingdom suffered severely from their ravages. Khama himself grew up at the "cattle posts" among the cattle, and in the "veldt," or prairie among the game. As a sportsman he showed an untiring energy and zeal that hardly needed the stimulus of his father's encouraging words. He was ever in the veldt, among the lions, the buffaloes, the rhinoceroses and the elephants. When he got his horse he was more daring than ever. He was often charged by wounded animals, and was often wounded himself by tusk or paw, or by falls from his horse in the excitement of the chase. Once when his horse fell with him at a critical moment, his knee-cap was forced upwards, and his legs nearly twisted out of joint; it was by the merest chance he escaped with his life. Gordon Cumming's visit to the kraal taught him the value of the rifle. Having persuaded his father to buy him one, he naturally became a keener hunter than ever. His unwearying practice soon made him an excellent shot, in fact, Khama enjoyed the hunter's life to the full, and did not fail of its hairbreadth 'scapes

KHAMA'S RELIGION.

"Khama, I need hardily tell your readers, is a devout Christian. The visits of Dr. Livingstone and Dr. Moffatt to his father's kraal gave the Bechuana chief his first idea of the religion of the Cross, but he attributes his adoption of that faith mainly to the teaching and example of Kgobadi, a native Christian from the town of the old chief Jantje, of Likhatlong, near the Diamond Fields. His chief religious friend and adviser of late years has been the Rev. J. D. Hepburn a most estimable gentleman, now of middle age. At Palapye I visited Mr. Hepburn's house, on a hillside about a mile from the town; and well rewarded was I for the tramp thither, for close to the mission station, in a ravine or canon that ended in a lovely waterfall, was such an assemblage of tropical plants as could hardly be found, I suppose, in any other natural conservatory in the world. The view from the hillside, too, looking over the vast smiling plain, with Khama's embowered city, teeming with life, occupying a large stretch of the foreground, and the afternoon sun reddening the distant "kopies" that stood like a row of pyramids on the horizon—I shall never forget that lovely picture of a native town in the heart of Africa.

KHAMA REFUSES A SECOND WIFE.

"One of the early consequences of Khama's embracing Christianity was a breach with his father, who wished the young man to conform to native usage by taking a second wife. He was Christian enough to brave his father's anger by a refusal, and he has remained a monogamist faithfully ever since. His father exiling him, Khama, with a considerable number of the tribe who had also become Christians, went forth across the veldt to the remote neighbourhood of Lake Ngami, where for some time they dwelt by themselves. When Sekhame died, Khama returned to Shoshong and claimed the chieftanship, opposed by his brother, Kumane, who was steeped in heathenism and superstition. Khama proved the victor, happily for his people The Mangwato were not very numerous at this time, but were rapidly added to by refuges from other tribes, attracted by Khama's mild rule, the absence of cruelty and oppression in his kingdom, and the abolition of the murderous practices in vogue in other native ruled territories. Khama's subjects can boast of trial by jury. As for the horrors of "smelling out," which disgrace Pondoland, on the very border of Cape Colony, they have long since been done away with by Khama. In fact, if the adoption of European measures can ever be a success in Africa it is so here. They not only dress like Europeans so far as they can, but they use European ploughs in place of the rude native hoes which used to make their women's toil grievous.

In Pondoland you see the woman hoeing while the man squats at the door of his hut robed in a blanket. In Northern Bechuanaland you see the woman at work in the garden, but you also see the man ploughing, or blacksmithing or carpentering. What you do not see is the brandy bottle. Khama, when a youth, accompanied his father to an old Boer's to sell tusks. The Boer produced his "dop" and plied the old chief with his brandy until he induced him to give up a most valuable lot of ivory for a paltry horn of powder and a bar of lead. Khama still remembers that incident, and it is has helped to make him the confirmed devotee of temperance that he is.

FURTHER NEWS FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

"When the dusky millions of Africa shall have followed the example of this African King, and become Christians and teetotalers, and shall, like him, be clothed in European fabrics, a market will be opened up, of which the commercial world at present has but the vaguest dreams."

KHAMA AT HOME.

"Every one who has read books of South African travel or hunting adventure has heard of the old hunting town of Shoshong, On many maps you will see it marked, although Shoshong for some years has been nothing but a heap of charred ruins. Shoshong, or Mangwato, or Bamangwato, as it is variously called, was formerly the capital and head-quarters of King KHAMA. It might have been so now had not KHAMA come under British protection; for although the town suffered from want of water, and its inhabitants were sometimes reduced to gathering the locusts that swarmed around them, and eating them (as Frank Oates describes) for lack of other food, Shoshong had the great advantage of being strongly situated at the foot of its hills; and, moreover, it was a great mart for poltry in the old hunting days before the big game was all exterminated or driven north of the Zambesi. Under the British flag, however, Khama felt safer; and so, a few years ago, he pitched upon a grand site some seventy miles north of Shoshong, and in the course of a few months removed his people thither bodily—able-bodied, feeble, old and young, the aged women and the picaninnies. He was to humane to leave the worthless ones to their fate, as is the savage custom, all were taken and all provided for."

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
Edinboro University, Scotland.

Democrats Discharging Negroes.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

It is stated upon good authority that at the next session of the legislature of this state that charges will be made and presented against E. T. Glennon, a Justice of the Peace, to have him impeached and removed from office. Under Mayor Hopkins, the democratic administration of this city, a large number of colored men have been removed, and white men are being put in their places; it will be remembered that at the election of the Mayor that over two thirds of the colored voters of Chicago voted for Mayor Hopkins, the democratic Mayor, and now in return for that they are all loosing their positions.

Mr. Isaac Rivers has been removed from the police force. On last Saturday evening a large indignation meeting was held at Bethel A. M. E. church to protest against the removal and discharge of Miss Barber as the matron of Provident hospital and the placing of Miss Shaw, a white woman in Miss Barber's place. Seigel & Cooper's great dry goods establishment has employed a colored man in their store and placed him in a very responsible position. Now it should be the duty of every colored person in this city to buy and trade at that store and show to the firm of Seigel & Cooper that they appreciate what has been done for the race. Mrs. Everett's, on Armour avenue, is on the sick list. Sir Knight J B. Foster is one of the leading Masons of Chicago. John J. Grace, a member of John Jones Masonic lodge, No. 1, died on last Monday.

The members of the Masonic Lodge are making arrangements to have and hold a lodge of sorrow in memory of of the deceased members, on the first Sunday in February at Apollo Hall; this will be the first Lodge of Sorrow that the Masons have held here for many years. Hon. W. T. Stead of London, England, is in the city and visited one of the colored churches Sunday. Chicago has now eight colored weekly papers and still there is room for more. The colored population of Cook County is 40,000; there are over seven thousand colored votes in the County.

RAMBLER.

ONE OF INDIANA'S PRETTY

Cities—A Church Going, Church Building People—Wonderful Entertainment.

Richmond, Ind., Special.

Thinking a word from Richmond might be of interest to some of the many readers of The Freeman, we proceed to say that the people in the face of hard times are moving on in the even tenor of their way. Public activity seems to center at the A. M. E. church; the people of Richmond are justly proud of this church, for it is a monument of enterprise and energy and reflects great credit upon the builder. The Sunday school has grown so rapidly in the last few months that three new classes have been inaugurated, The superintendent, James Foster, and corps of teachers are certainly doing a good work, Mrs. Alice Bundy has charge of the infant department and is ably assisted by Mrs. Sarah Utley and Mrs. Mary Goens. The teachers in the main school are George Officer, Miss Susie Evans, Miss Leota Townsend, Mrs. C. M. Burgan, Mrs. E. Goens, Mrs. C. A. Townsend and Mrs. S. Young, with Mary King secretary. The Payne Literary society is in a prosperous condition under the presidency of Thomas Foster. The Bethel business class composed of promising young men and boys is doing a very excelent work under the tutorship of the ever faithful Reuben Myrick. The entertainments of the church have been of the highest order, and very profitable from both a social and financial standpoint. The New Year,s entertainment was given by the Sunday school, at which time the committee showed their working ability to great advantage, and made the superintendant happy. This was closely followed by G. F. Riching's wonderful exhibition showing the progress of the colored people during the last thirty years. Of this entertainment too much cannot be said; Mr. Richings is a man of ability, and entertaining qualities, and his exhibition is one of the finest before the public. After feasting our eyes and hearts for three nights, Mr. Richings leaves the people more anxious to see and hear than they were the night he came. The people are greatly inspired, and declare that "these things are marvellous in their eyes." To those who would have a delightful and profitable passage through thirty years of unparelleled history can do so in no better way than by attending Mr. Richings' entertainment, Among the views shown last night were the men who run the Freeman, and all were pleased to hear the lecturer pay such compliments to The Freeman as a race paper, to Mr. Knox and Mr. Sweeny as men of worth and ability.

A PLEA FOR THE NEGRO

To Emigrate to Arizona Territory—Why Should He be Burned for Fuel?

White Hills, Arizona Terr'y, Special.

Please allow me space in your valuable and worthy paper to say to the many discouraged and unhappy colored people in the Southern states, who work at farming from early morning 'til dark at night, year in and year out, for their white brothers and are no better off now than they were five or ten years ago, or in other words, when they started, that I have been a resident of this territory for a number of years, off and on, and I know if they come here and do the same amount of work that they do in the South, in five years time they will be independent.

I will endeavor to show them our advantages out here over the cruel South and where a colony of our people would be successful. Say, for instance, in Salt River Valley, where Phoenix lies, the capital of the territory, which will equal the South or surpasses it in climate or soil. And there are many other places that will equal the Salt River Valley for climate and soil, but they have not as yet got the water that the valley has. Although water could be had with a little work, say for instance, the land lying along the Colorado River, which is second to none in the world as far as known. This land has been experimented on around Fort Majarva and the "Needles" by a man by the name of Dr. J. L. McClelland. He has a small farm near the "Needles" which he irrigates from the Colorado river, and there is nothing that he has planted but what has made a good growth, and yielded good, fruit especially. Small grain and vegetables do as well as in California or other states. He cut two ton of wheat hay from each acre of land the first year with a very small cost of labor.

My opinion is that it would be a good plan to locate a colony, and there is no question about success at farming in Salt River Valley. They have investigated further there than on Colorado river. They raise all kind of fruit there, both citrus and temperate, which they cannot do in California. They have to confine themselves to temperate fruit and grain. And as far as obtaining land is concerned, that is no difficulty; there are thousands of acres of uncultivated land in this territory that equals or surpasses any land in the South, which can be procured on reasonable terms and prices, and there are always ready markets for all that can be raised, on account of it being so much earlier than the California market. Here we have no Jim Crow car law; here we have one dining room only; here we vote undisturbed; here we go to the opera house and enter the family circle, if we follow our silver and gold, and are treated according to our caliber. Will you come and accept us or will you stay in the South and be burned for fuel.

WALTER R. BODDY.

THE END OF RAMADAN

GRAPHIC ACCOUNT OF THE CLOSE OF THE FORTY DAYS' FAST.

A Gun Boomed From the Citadel at the Beginning and Ending of the Rite—The Legend Upon Which the Uncomfortable Custom Is Based.

We sat in the tent's shadow, with our faces turned toward Cairo. There were three of us, the sheik of the neighboring village, Ahmed and I. The clear outline of the Mokhattan hills was hidden in the thick mist generated by the heat; the city was a gray blur against the black sides of the uplands. Below us, amid the sugar cane, the fellahin worked with an affectation of energy. Sometimes a voice came to us mellowed by distance; sometimes the sail of a vessel glided phantomwise over the blue ribbon of water that twined along the valley toward Alexandria and the delta.

A month before I had seen the messengers leave the city and strike into the desert. Twenty-four hours later, dusty and hot, they returned, bearing news. The new moon had appeared, and the fast was proclaimed. At midnight a gun boomed from the citadel, and suddenly the merry noises of the streets were stilled.

Next day I wandered through the bazaars, but received no invitation to drink coffee with my friends. Pipes and cigarettes were not offered to me. A kind of half sleep had fallen on everybody, and I hardly dared speak to any one. In the intervals between their bargainings the merchants read the Koran or prayed, counting their beads with nimble fingers, head bent downward. The bargainings, too, were a poor shadow of the exciting scenes I loved. The purchaser was always languid and the vender inert, uninterested.

As the afternoon wore on a look of fatigue, often of real pain, gloomed on the usually genial faces. It was hot, so hot. The sun beat furiously on the white walls and roads; the cruel Kempion whirled the dust through the streets and dried the skin and lips. But the cry of the water carrier was not raised; no boys offered bunches of juicy fruit to the sufferers. Ramadan had come with all its terrors, and for the love of God and his apostle must they be borne, if not cheerfully, at any rate sternly and manfully.

One hour before sunset life seemed to stir again in the veins. The bakeries were crowded; the fires blazed under the ovens; a smell of cooking stole over the city. Women squatted at intervals along the streets with cakes and fruit and bottles of water spread before them. Little groups gathered round them, impatient, expectant. The smokers took out their pipes or cigarettes and stood waiting for the signal, match in hand. Suddenly the sun fell, and the gun thundered from the citadel. The city awoke; the population began to eat; the women were busy disposing of their goods.

For 40 days these things were, and now was come the closing day of the fast, and I sat with my friends on the sand, gazing toward the citadel till the gun showed fire for the last time.

All the afternoon envious glances had been cast at me as I cheerfully disobeyed the prophet's orders. Ahmed, I think, had the sheik not been with me, would have smoked a cigarette, but as it was he lay beside me and sulked. The sheik was too old to behave thus. He was quiet and spoke slowly, but he tried bravely to conceal all signs of discomfort. Ahmed's annoyance may be accounted for in this way. He declared to me that Mohammed fasted one day in the month Ramadan, but on which day was uncertain, and therefore the theologians decreed a 40 days' fast that they might be sure of fasting the same day as the prophet. I do not think Ahmed believes this legend, though he vouches vehemently for its truth.

To while away the time I asked the sheik to tell me about the visit of the czarowitz. But the long abstinence made him unable to talk at any length, and even this his favorite story he told me briefly in a couple of bald sentences, though he responded gently: "I met him as one prince meets another. He told me he owned many villages; that he was sheik over half the world. It may be as they have said."

"And what did he say to you?" I queried. "He greeted me courteously and took me by the hand. This ring that I wear is his gift."

As he spoke he showed me, without pride, a sapphire of great size and beauty. Then he relapsed into silence, and I amused myself by picturing the event in my mind. I would that I had seen that meeting between the heir of the holy Russian empire and the simple Arab chief. Looking into his grave gray eyes and at his tall, slight figure, the broad shoulders not yet bent, though the white beard he was stroking told of many years of life, and in spite of his tattered blue robe, I easily conceived how he had been treated—courteously as became a prince.

Before the setting sun touched the horizon a boy from the village brought a large plate of food and a bottle of water and set them before us. "The signal," I cried as a white puff of smoke rolled away from the citadal walls, and at the same instant the sun sank behind the desert.

The sheik seized the bottle of water and drank long and eagerly. When his thirst was appeased, he belched loudly and handed the bottle to Ahmed, who drank eagerly, too, not omitting the curious after grace.

Then they devoured the food voraciously, the old man beckoning me to join. After we had eaten we sat and talked far into the night under the golden stars. The distant city gleamed fairylike with myriad lamps, and the murmur of its thousand voices came to us through the silent air.

Ramadan was dead. The fast was over and the feast begun.—Pall Mall Budget.

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TESTIMONIALS.

HAWKINS. WOOD CO., TEX., March 2, 1893.

PROF. BOUDROU:

DEAR SIR:—I hear of so many people that write to you concerning their cases after being cured, but I must fall in line with the number. I was taken with the spinal complaint, being afflicted about two years, with pains in my shoulders, and it remained there for some time. It then moved from there to my back, spine and legs, and it seemed that my strength was all gone; so I become helpless in most every possible manner. I had my doctor to call and he pronounced my case to be sciatica rheumatism. He prescribed for me, but in vain I was advised to use Warner's Safe Cure. I procured a bottle with no results, and also many other kinds of medicine, but it seemed to do no good. I then employed another doctor and met with the same results and suffering untold misery that cannot be expressed, when a visitor looking through The Freeman, saw that Prof. Boudrou recommended a cure for the same complaint. I at once wrote to him about my case. I got a prompt answer, stating how he must treat me to be successful. Afterwards he sent me medicine to take, and stated that I would begin to feel better in three days. I felt better sooner than that time, and I now feel as well as ever and free fro pain. I do and shall recommend the medicine to the suffering humanity similar to my case and others for which they are recommended and will be pleased to answer letters from the affected that they may get medicines that are pure and be healed.

I am, dear sir, yours in Christ,
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I would like to know the whereabouts of my brother, Tony Murphy. The last I heard of him he was living at Surrounded Hill, Ark. I was Mrs. Katie Saddler the last time I remember seeing him. Any information in regard to his discovery, will be thankfully received by yours very truly, Mrs. Katie Moore, Fayettsville, Ark.

I would like to know of the whereabouts of my mother by the name of Bettie La Mott; married a man by the name of Yaricks Crookshank. I was sold to Jim Deaver, at Giles Co Tenn. The last time I heard from her, she was in Charleston, S. C., at 36 Archidel street, in the year of 1847 A. D. Yours Respectfully, Teaner Deaver, Augusta, Woodruff Co., Ark. In care of J. P. Penn.

Wanted to know the whereabouts of a mother two brothers and one sister. Mother's name was Rachel Buncom; sister, Hannah Buncom; brothers, Louis and Allen. The last time I saw my mother was on John H. Low's farm, West Macon, Bibbs county, Georgia, in the year 1862, as near as I can remember. I was very small at that time. After the war I left the State and have not heard from them since. I will be thankful if the pastors of all churches, or any else seeing this, who can give me information will do so by addressing Louis Williams, Searcy, Ark.

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AS TO MISS IDA B. WELLS.

"Miss Ida B. Wells thanks her newspaper brothers, generally, for the chivalric defence made for her against the "office boy" of the American Citizen, Brother Taylor disavowing personal knowledge or action in the matter. And now, gentlemen, for God's sake, let the matter drop, lest your ivanhoish zeal become quixotic in the end."—The Freeman.

'Very well, but what have you done to be thanked for? You never opened your head when Taylor made his cowardly and slanderous attack on Miss Wells. One hardly blames "Alpha bet" Taylor for trying to shift the load from his shoulders to those of the office boy, as the trick is rather boyish. But the coarseness was of the kind that emanates from Taylor's office all the time. Like most dull fellows, he never bethought himself till the deed was done. Now he tries to get rid of the burden by saying: 'I did not do it' It is too late. As for THE FREEMAN's editors, 'Knox' and 'Sweeney'—those dysonomous names—why, go to. Who the deuce are you anyway? You did not know enough to see the meanness of the attack. Perhaps you indorsed it, as did most of the Western tribe of 'editors.' Whether you did or not, you had as well understand now as at any time, that what you think or say about the drubbing Taylor received has about as much weight with us as your silence."

Now look here George, if you don't quit talking that way to us, you mean pesky thing, we'll tan your jacket within an—but what's the use. To be serious with you, Sir Quixote, in the shortest possible space, our esteem for Miss Wells and other representative race women who are fighting conscientously, as their wisdom directs, a battle for humanity, is a flame that burns with a steady light. Content, within ourselves, with this knowledge, we shall be satisfied not to flaunt it from the housetops or periodically poke it into Miss Well's face, as though we might say, as, you lubber, you are saying as industriously as you can: "Oh! Miss Wells, just hear what nice things I am saying of you, now won't you say something nice to me?" Without questioning Miss Wells judgment (although we might), for giving prominence to the ill worded reflection in the first instance, and having nothing but downright contempt for much of the sporadic, "grand stand" valor, that rushed to her defence, when she needed none, when neither foe nor danger was in sight, we would advise you and all your ilk of carpet warriors, that often, very often, silence is golden.

WHAT MINISTER TAYLOR IS DOING.

We have received a personal letter from Hon. C. H. J. Taylor, dated Lexington, Ky., Jan. 17th, containing the following information of interest to the race:

"I am here in Kentucky working for the defeat and repeal of the Separate Coach law. I have only made four speeches in the state and yesterday Mr. Morgan, a leading member of the legislature and a Democrat, offered a bill to repeal the law. Those of the newspaper brethren who have time to criticise me about silly allegations made against me by nonentities from obscurity, may do so, as for me I am too busy to give such criticisms attention. Give me justice. This is all I ask. I shall continue my course in spite of my traducers."

Apropos thereto The Standard says what we were about to say:

"Certainly Mr. Taylor can afford to care nothing for the "carpings" of certain men of the race, as long as he is doing such grand work for his people and all the children of men."

THE FREEMAN will give Mr. Taylor justice, he need not fear, as it strives to extend to all men. It has been said "there never was a noble name, but what made ignoble talk" The eagle soaring in his pride of strength, must needs be fretted at times and pay the tribute of annoyance to the swarms of gallinippers that line his upward course. It takes size, worth, superiority, a great life, marked with great aims, beyond the grovelling many, to be talked about, to have one's motives impugned, their aims challenged, and that our rotund friend has at last come to his own in that direction, no greater compliment can be paid him. There comes a time in the lives of men, men of brain and force, of blood and iron, when vituperation and assault, coming from SOME PEOPLE, marks the measure of their growth and worth. Go ahead Bro. Taylor, do what you can to help the good people of Kentucky undo the iniquitous Jim Crow law, and your name will be household, when it will be forgotten those of your detractors ever crossed the lips of men.

SEE the Holy Land as it is to-day. Read editorial on this page.

WOULD HE HOIST US ON OUR OWN PETARD?

"By the way, what's become of the 'good times' that was agoing to follow, you know, the repeal of the Sherman bill? Don't all speak at once please, and when you do speak, don't monkey with the truth."—The Freeman.

"Who said that 'good times' were going to follow the repeal of the Sherman law? Did THE FREEMAN, Appeal or Age make such prognostications? And were they all monkeying with the truth when they sought to emphasize the gold bugs' declaration, or were they merely talking through their stovepipes?"—Denver Statesman.

No! dear friend, THE FREEMAN did not say so, for the simple reason that THE FREEMAN is neither a prophet nor the son of one, but, being persuaded to hope that the repeal of the law MIGHT relieve the stringency, we were in favor of the repeal. But challenging somewhat our own implication as contained in the above squib, dare we say, dare you say, that "good times" have not followed the repeal of the act, in contra distinction to what might have been had repeal been deferred? Had the Senate not have acted when and how it did, might not the stringency have been far more binding, and the general distress and "hard times" (not confining ourselves to Colorado), much more acute and deplorable? Where our distinguished friend and prince of the journalistic quill can at least sally forth once a week on the highways of Denver with a buttoniere in his silk-faced lappel, was his pet law still in force, who can tell, he might be restricted to such extravagance not oftener than once a month. The thing we must all strive to do, Edward, in ruminating over and discussing national measures, etc., is to strive at breadth and avoid narrowness. We must take our eyes away from Indiana and Colorado, and the good people who live within their delightful borders, and contemplate all the people of all the states. Speaking of "stovepipes" brother ours, we haven't sported one to any great extent, since those golden days in the old Wolverine state, when you and I, and—well,

Went gypsying
Long time ago.

DOUGLASS AND TURNER.

In a letter to THE FREEMAN from Mr. Douglass of a recent date, called out by a solicited opinion on that passage in Bishop Turner's communication in our columns of Jan. 13th, in which he had something to say about Negro officeholders, past and present, he, without writing particularly for publication, uttered a sentiment or two relative to the duties of the hour, the whole clothed in a spirit of just praise of the fighting Bishop, the temptation to give our readers we could not resist. In the days of the "divine right," the shibboleth of person or faction when a thing was about to be done was, "In the king's name!" And so it is, that when Frederick Douglass speaks on matters of racial interest, in these days that try the Negro's soul, In the race's name! he must consent to many encroachments upon his personal rights, that ordinary men are not compelled to submit to. Speaking of Bishop Turner, Mr. Douglass said in part:

"I like his bold, brave assaults on existing wrongs, though I cannot always agree with him as to the manner of correcting them. He is not always just, however, toward men who are at work to accomplish the great end which he so nobly seeks. His attacks upon officeholders and their servility, makes me think that the good Bishop has already forgotten that he was once an officeholder, and he was as brave a man then, in defence of the rights of his people, as he is to-day.

"It cannot be truthfully said that the colored men who hold office under this government have been either silent or indifferent to the cause of our people. Nevertheless, let Bishop Turner and everybody else lay on the lash and press in the spurs. and urge us forward to greater speed and nobler courage in the race before us." * * *

ATTENTION is called to the very excellent article in this issue, an estimate of the late Bishop Payne, from the pen of Rev. John M. Henderson, D. D., Detroit, Mich. Dr Henderson is a man of commanding ability and no one of the race is better equipped in heart and brain to weave a garland of immortelles for the brow of the dead Senior Bishop, great and good man, than he. Read his estimate

AND Damascus, the world's oldest city, that teemed with the hordes of civilization, of commerce and the arts, thousands of years before Europe was wrested from the wild men, before America was dreamed of, and when, where the cradle of intellectuality and science was rocked, the four-footed struggled with the two-footed animals for the mastery of the soil; would you not appreciate a visit to this historic Mecca? All right, read editorial thereto on this page, and note coupons on fifth.

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J. C. SIMMONS, Leflore, Miss.
Jan. 6, 1894.

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J. R. JOHNSON, Osceola, Ark.
Jan. 11, 1894.

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DR. P. L. BARBER, Norfolk, Va.
Jan. 9, 1894.

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P. W. ADAMS, Nashville, Tenn.
Dec. 15, 1893.

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SHERMAN KEY, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Jan. 12, 1894.

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I am anxious for your paper because it is THE paper of our race, and grandly does it play its part of vindicating the rights of the Negro.
JAS. T. BRYN, Editor Free Will Baptist Standard, Kingston, N. C.
Jan. 10, 1894.

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I am a reader of The Freeman, and can say that I don't think I ever read anything in my life that I enjoyed better, and I don't think any man or woman of color have their homes complete without it.
DANIEL BURTON, Peoria, Ill.
Jan 11, 1894.

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Enclosed find $1.00 for renewal of my subscription to The Freeman for the year 1894. I cannot lose The Freeman as long as I can work to earn money to take it. I think it a grand paper for our race.
ELIZABETH DORSEY, West Chester, Penn.
Dec. 30, 1893.

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Please find enclosed $1.00, which place to my credit on my account of The Freeman. Continue The Freeman, please; I do not care to be without it.
J. C. DANIELS, Florence, Ga.
Dec. 22, 1893.

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I cannot be without your valuable paper. I enclose the sum of 25 cents for the paper for three months. I can only say that your paper is the best race paper I have ever read. It brings news from different countries, and from our fatherland in Liberia, Africa. I like it for that cause. I can say that it is needed in every Negro's house; every colored man and woman should read it.
PROF. A. T. DIXON, Carlisle, Ark.
Jan. 6, 1894.

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Enclosed please find postal order for $1.00 to renew my subscription to your grand journal for one year.
S. W. GREEN, Lake Providence, La.
Jan. 1, 1894.

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In tracing the columns of your paper I find it the greatest paper that ever left the Negro press. It is needed in our county. I will work for The Freeman. Enclosed find $1 00; send The Freeman.
G. W. DANIELS, Lee, S. C.
Jan. 7, 1894.

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Enclosed find $1 00 for my subscription to continue for the ensuing year. The Freeman is a solid friend that I would not be without. I can not find words in my vocabulary to express the joy of its appearance. I sincerely hope that the day will soon come when it will sweep over this land as the waters over the deep.
A. E. EASON, Houston, Tex.
Nov. 21, 1893.

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Enclosed please find $1.00 for The Freeman, your valuable paper, for one year. I take advantage of low rates, and I have a number of race papers to pay for, but of them all there is not one that I appreciate like The Freeman.
JOSEPH H. GARRETT, Arbutus, Md.
Dec. 17, 1893

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Enclosed find $1.00, for which please renew my subscription to The Freeman from February, 1894, to February, 1895.
E. W. CLARK, Georgetown, Tex.
Jan. 10, 1894.

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I am praying for the continued success of your grand paper, and hope that my health will improve so I shall be able to do more in the future than in the past in getting it in every Negro home in the Republic.
CHAS. V. MONK, Philadelphia, Pa.
Dec. 27, 1893.

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Find enclosed $1 00 for another year for The Freeman. It is an educator to those interested in the race, so please see that it is continued. Without it I would be unhappy and lonely on Sundays.
WALTER S JACKSON, Torresdale, Pa.
Aug. 8, 1893.

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For four or five years I have been a regular reader and subscriber of The Freeman, and it is with pleasure I recommend it to be a true race journal in every sense of the word. Enclosed you will find a postal note for $1 00 for which I wish to renew my subscription for another year.
G. W. MCNEILL, Topeka, Kan.
Jan. 9, 1894,

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R. E. LEE, U. S. Hotel, Boston.
Jan. 11, 1894.

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PETER LAWRENCE, Boston, Mass.
Jan. 8, 1894.

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Enclosed please find P. O. money order for $1.00, for which please send me The Freeman another year.
H. P. GUILKEY, Macon, Miss.
Jan. 12, 1894.

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My people seem particularly anxious to read the leading Negro paper of the world, The Freeman. Please be so kind as to place the name of my school on your list and send your paper until May.
REV. M. L. LATTA, President Latta's University, Oberlin, N. C.
Jan. 8, 1894.

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I will enclose you $2.00 for The Freeman one year and the School History of Negro race. I have been a reader of The Freeman one year. I feel that I could not be without it.
LOUISA LITTLE, Redding, Cal.
Jan. 10, 1894.

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AT MESSIAH BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Committee—Synopsis Of Program—Very Pleasant Occasion.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Special.

Thursday evening, Jan., 18th, the literary exercises conducted at the Messiah Baptist church were very fine. The officers were Mrs. Ellen Jackson, president; Mrs. Sarah A. Brookins, vice president; Deaconess A. Roots, treasurer and Miss Johnetta A. Delsart, secretary. Those on the general committee were Mrs. Sarah A. Brookins, Mrs. M. A. Jackson, Mrs. Ellen Reddick, Mrs. Leonard Garrett, Mrs. E. M. E Schiesteard, Mrs. Cordelia Lewis, Mrs. Tampy A. Cobb, Mrs. E. F. Morris, Miss Johnetta A. Delsart, Miss Bertha Ruth Johnson, Mr. Littleton Teagle, Robert Brown, Deacon Wm. Jackson, W. A. Jackson, Wm. A. Rennix, Thomas Brookins, Gus. Faulkner, Miss H, M. J. Emell, Mrs. A. Roots, Mrs Ellen Jackson, Mrs. M. E. Bundick, Mrs. Fannie P. Donerson, Mrs. Clara Cary, Mrs. Minerva Rumbear, Miss Eudora Perry, Miss Mary Francis, Miss Florence Allen, Edmond Tunnell, George H. Hodge, Deacon Samuel Roots, John Donerson, Alexander Schiesteard, John A. Lawrence, Thomas Curry, Theodore F. Jackson, Mrs. E Francis, Mrs, Mildred Smith, Mrs. Sarah Robinson, Mrs. W. H. Rennix, Mrs. Ann E. Miles, Mrs. Nellie Reed, Mrs. Mary E. Simons, Mrs. Maggie L. Smith, Mrs. Lula Hodge, Miss Lillian Johnson, James Blackstone, Rev. H. P. Thomas R. L. Carey, Prof. H. Dellagall, Alfred Reed, F, N. Rivers, and Joseph Bryant. The program commenced with an organ prelude followed by singing, Miss L. C. Carter presided at the organ; invocation was rendered by Presiding Elder F. F. Giles. Miss F. A. Michall sang a grand solo. "An Ethiopians' Complaint" was the subject of an original poem by Aparicis DeCruz of Lima, Peru, South America. Miss Addie B. Townsend rendered two very fine recitations. Miss E. O Miles sang a solo followed by a recitation by Miss T. R. Ildafoncia. "The Progress of Our People" was the subject upon which George Cochran spoke, he also sang, "Six feet of earth makes us all one size," Prof. Johnson made a few remarks; among other things he praised the Rev. Dr. Perry and himself, both residents of the 24th Ward.

Grand Jubilee Concert.

Tacoma, Wash., Special.

A grand jubilee concert was given at the Congregational church a few weeks ago by the Ladies' Guild. Perry Payne, of Tacoma, is spending the winter in San Francisco. A colored quartette from Chicago gave a successfbl musical entertainment at the Tacoma hotel Thursday evening, Jan. 4th. Prof. Henderson's guitar club furnished music for a dance at Point Defiance, Saturday, Jan. 6th. A colored quartette has been organized in this city with the following members: John White, leader; Sam'l Henderson, tenor; J. C. Bridges, baritone; F. J. Jackson, bass. Samuel Henderson was called away to attend court at Seattle, Jan. 8th. Coasting is great sport for the boys now. It is also very dangerous. Many people were injured Monday evening. Don't forget to take a copy of The Freeman, as it is the only paper published in the interest of the race. Lawrence Sledge is our new agent for The Freeman. Give him a call. Mr. Moody is manager for the colored club, 1138 Railroad street. Mrs. Bailey has been on the sick list, but is much better now. The A. M. E. church has moved to Fifteenth street and Yakima avenue, where services will be held Sunday morning and evening. The young people of the A. M. E. church will, in a few days, present a play entitled: "The Lost Loaf." The following persons will participate: James A. Jones, Miss Mamie Conwa, Louis Hill, Miss Ethel Butler, Elwood Hamilton, Miss Mabel Walker and Lawrence Sledge.

Important Meeting at Tuskegee.

The third annual session of the Tuskegee Negro Conference, composed of representatives of the hard working colored people of the South, will convene at the Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., Wednesday, Feb. 21st. In addition to the conference, it has been decided to have on the following day, a meeting of the officers and teachers of the colored schools in the South who may be present at the conference, for the purpose of comparing notes and taking advantage of the lessons and impressions of direct contact with the masses of colored people the previous day. It is believed that such a meeting will result in much good to the cause of Negro education. At the last conference there were 800 delegates present representing all parts of the Black Belt, and the good effects of these meetings are apparent in all directions.

VISIT the tomb of Abraham, the well of Jacob, Sinai, the Dead Sea, tombs of David and Absalom, pools of Solomon, the battlefields of Israel, Jerusalem, Gethsemane, Golgotha, Mt. of Olives, Pool of Siloam. See editorial, "The Holy Land Photographed."

THE CURRENT TOPIC CLUB

Discusses—A List of Coming Graduates—Social Doings.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

The Ashley Current Topic club met at the office of Messrs. Young & Crosthwaite, Friday, Jan. 19th. John W. Work, Jr., led the discussion of the question, "How to obtain our rights on the cars" The club at its next meeting will discuss the Tariff question. Rob't Knowles and Miss Mollie Malone were united in marriage Wednesday, 24th inst., at the home of the bride on Clay street. Cards are out announcing the marriage of Jas. L. Rice to Miss Leah L. Martin. Wm. Crawford, captain of the College Street fire company, and Miss Emma Fite, were united in wedlock on Monday, the 22d, inst. Thirty graduates will be sent out from Fisk University in June; twenty-one from Normal, eight from College and Scientific and one from the Conservatory of Music. Prof. H. H, Wright arrived from Oberlin, O., where he spent several days with his aged mother. T. B. Burris, B. A, class of '93, writes that The Freeman is his favorite paper, and he never misses a copy. How many other graduates are following his example? This must not be a good year for Fisk Senior Normal socials. The smallpox excitement is rapidly decreasing. The patients are at the pest house and it is said that they will soon recover. A number of delinquent subscriber's names have been dropped from our list. When one subscribes for The Freeman, he is expected to pay for it. Please remember this. The well known firm of L. Winter & Son, was assigned last week for the benefit of creditors. Don't forget that The Freeman is on sale at W. L. Irving's barber shop, 380 Deadrick street. The la grippe is raging throughout the city, but no serious cases have been reported. The fourth public rhetorical exercises takes place in Fisk Memorial Chapel next Friday, the 21, prox., at 7:30 p. m. Last Thursday was observed as a day of prayer for colleges, by Central Tennessee college, Roger Williams and Fisk Universities.

Little Folks' Concert.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Carson and her daughter, Miss Belle, have returned from Middletown, Ohio. Miss Belle is improving very rapidly. Mr. D. W. Crawford sought and found repentance, and will unite with the A. M. E. church on Chestnut street. Mrs. Joe Powell, on Lookout street is on the sick list. The concert given by the little folks, last week, at Wiley Memorial church, under the auspices of Misses Mary Harris and Belle Washington, was good. Rev. G. W. Parks, pastor of Shiloh Baptist church, spent several days in Knoxville last week. Mr. Geo. McDowell is dead. He was an Odd Fellow and in good standing. The "Elberton's club" under the management of President Randalls and the governing-board, is progressing nicely. Any one having news for The Freeman will please leave same at the agent's headquarters 403 W. 9th street, before Sunday of each week. Don't forget that the dollar rate will last until Feb. 22nd.

The Concert at the A. M. E.

Huntsville, Ala., Special.

The concert at the A. M. E. church was a grand success. The State Normal and Industrial school furnished the talent, under the instruction of Misses Fayette and Baurbur. After the concert a grand entertainment was given by the following committees, Mrs. A. Roberts, Mrs. Lucy A. Brandon, Mrs. Eliza Hunt, supply table; Mrs Ellen Robertson, Mrs. Mollie Lyons, Mrs. C. C. Moore, Miss Hattie Hatton, guest table; tellers office, Miss Fannie Brandon, A. Roberts, manager, Pastor, Rev. H. P. Patton. The colored citizens held a mass meeting at the A. M. E. church which resulted in the appointment of several committees on different enterprises. Prof. R. D. Hunt was in the city last Saturday. Miss Sarah Pope was married to Calvin Rice, Thursday night, Jan., 18

Election of Officers.

St. Louis, Mo, Special.

The Friends' club held its first annual meeting on the 13th. The following officers were elected: Prof. J. E Brock, secretary; R. M. Lios, treasurer; Ed C. Lios, manager; Wm. H. Leech, president protem.

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REV. JOHN M. HENDERSON, D. D.

His Estimate of Bishop Payne—The Reviewers Reviewed—A Just Rating.

The death of Bishop Payne leaves but few truely great Afro-Americans among the living. That Bishop Payne was a truly great man, none who knew him and none who understood the times in which he lived can deny; yet the plaudits and extravagant eulogies that come forth so plenteously from those who have not taken the trouble to find a reason for their praise and acclamation signify no more than the hand clapping of boot-blacks in the galery. Many men are delivering fulsome eulogies to his memory, who in word, conduct and character are the very antithesis of that for which he gave a long life of heroic struggle, Bishop Payne was great because he rose above popular notions and apprehended the true possibilities of his people. He thought of the Negro as capable of becoming the equal of all other people and demanded that no lower ultimatum should be held in view.

He consistently advocated the means best adopted to this end, He actually and practically believed in an educated and pure ministry to the end, that there should be an enlightened and ennobled laity. His whole life was consistently devoted to this work and his steadfastness to a noble purpose and the success of his endeavors are the essential elements of his greatness. Having been a Bishop for an unusually long period, the possession of titles, and having been connected with the establishment of a school are but incidents which would have no value, were it not for the character, purposes and labors that are behind them all.

Ignorance may sometimes be exalted, wear titles, found schools, and survive many years and still be ambitious, self-seeking presumptious ignorance at the end of the chapter. Be it said to the credit of Bishop Payne's sincerity that he was consistent even to details. He, like his confrere and powerful co-woker, Bishop Brown, never pandered to ignorance and never yielded his high views to the imperious demand of popular, but low opinion. From the day that he stood forth against the multitude as an advocate of an educated ministery in 1843 until the day of his death, there is no record and no recollection of one single compromise. Thus consistent in conduct and thus courageous and independent in thought, it needed no more than his wisdom as to the use of means to render possible his silently won, but enduring victories,

It was only when popular opinion came to be with him, that opposition, open and bitter, ceased, It is only because it is in the air that many men, whose very names stand for the opposite of his ideals, are now heard lauding him to the skies. He was a menace and a terror to them in life, and their exuberance of feeling is due to a false sense of relief. But he will still rule from his grave. The work he has done will live. An enlightened laity, an eagle-eyed and pearless press and the large host of educated clergymen are the impregnable bulworks, behind which Payne's ideas are safely entrenched, and from whence they shall constantly sally forth in aggressive endeavor to win ceaslees victories. Ambitious and unholy men may intrigue for the Bishopric, in some instances may succeed; moral cowardice and wire-pulling may put incompetent men in the schools now and then; here and there ignorant notions and false ideas may triumph, but the force of Bishop Payne's spirit acting through a thousand agencies will maintain the poise and the onward, forward movement of his great church. Arnett at Wilberforce, Grant at Morris Brown, Lee at Paul Quinn, Turner and Derrick at the helm of the Missionary department and the present bench of high minded, strong souled bishops furnish conditions of leadership and a guaranty of future progress that must have gladdened the heart of the venerable man as he took his last sad, slow survey of the field, in which he had yielded up his life as a vapor.

He has gone, but his work lives, and all must feel that "Great men have been among us: hands that penned and tongues that uttered wisdom, better none!" JOHM M. HENDERSON.

Detroit, Mich.

IN THE SOUTH.

You jes' kaint help bein' lazy,
In the South.
A man who'll work is crazy,
In the South.
Its a disease that's awful ketchin',
An' the smartes' man you fetch in,
Will get lazy in an hour,
In the South.

The sun's so bright an' warm,
In the South.
An' the moon has such a charm,
In the South.
You kin loaf from morn till night,
An' from dark to broad day light,
An' never once get tired,
In the South.

Why the rain falls sorter lazy,
In the South.
An' the sky an' clouds look hazy,
In the South.
An' you can move along so slow,
While the corn an' taters grow,
That every body's lazy,
In the South.

INCENDIARY'S WORK.

Grand Reception—Wedding Bells—Society, Personal and General News.

Helena, Ark., Special.

Married in South Helena at the residence of the bride by Rev. E. C. Morris, D. D., Mr. Jas. Dawson to Miss Louisa Scaife. Prof. Joe Sheppard's band furnished music for the "hop" at Mr. S T. Huggins. Mr Wallace Davis will visit about the first of Feb. Memphis thence to the New Orleans Mardi Gras; return via Little Rock to Potash Sulphur Springs, thence to Chicago, to take charge of a first-class barber shop. Mr. Sam Williamson took a flying trip to Memphis last week. We would be pleased to have the Grand Master of the Y. M. C. A., to send his address to box 253, Helena, Ark, Mrs L. B. Garrett has accepted a school in Florence Ala Her vacancy, we learn will be filled by Mrs. Driskle. Mr. David Clark, of Marianna, spent a few days in the city, the guest of his brother. On Monday night 14th, inst. the Y. M C. U., discussed "Resolved, that the Negro has a right to vote the democratic ticket". Many female visitors were present Monday night. Debate "Resolved that a woman has a right to suffrages". Mr. W. C. McCrary, of Southland, has gone to West Memphis to accept a school. Mr. Henry Hanks lost his dwelling in West Helena by fire, the work of an incendiary, he was seen fleeing from the building, insured for $500. Mrs. Jessie Wright visited Hot Springs to improve her health. The friends tendered a party at S. T. Huggin's in honor of Mrs. L. B Garrett's departure, the gay crowd enjoyed themselves until the house was called to order when several regretful remarks were made. Mr. Wallace Davis, author and poet, read some blank verses of his composition "Good bye; but not Farewell". The absence of Mrs. Garrett is felt by all who knew her. She was loved by all that came in contact with her. "The best of friends must part".

Wedding Bells.

Newport, Ark., Special.

It is now more than two months since the Newport High School was organized. The present enrollment, is sixty-nine, The course of instruction, embraces among other branches elementary and analytical chemistry, and physeology and hygiene. The tuition is one dollar, and one dollar and fifty cents per month, to wit: one dollar for primary and one dollar and fifty cents for advanced students. Miss Doda Reslan has charge of the musical department giving instruction on the organ and piano. The school board's election of officers resulted as follows: J. C. Bridges, president; L M. Wilson, vice; John Darty, secretary; Rev. J. D. Dennis, assistant secretary; Peter Wooley, treasurer. On the 9th inst, Mrs. Dosian Babb was taken suddenly ill, dying the following evening. Sister Babb had been a stewardess in the A. M. E. church for fourteen years. Mr. Sutton was in our city recently. Mr. Foster Bates and Miss Mary Holland were united in matrimony Jan. 8th. Rev. J. H. Warren officiated.

M. E. Church About Completed.

Crawfordsville, Ark., Special.

The M. E. church will have their house of worship completed soon The A. M. E. church is prosperous. The Baptist have the largest membership in the county, best congregations and raise less money and two-thirds of the latter churches have no Sunday schools at all. New settlers are pouring in here and old ones moving to the woods or thereabout. Our people have been devoting considerable time to obtaining homes in Heaven and none towards securing any on earth; this has been brought about by ignorant preachers, preaching only about hell and Heaven. Down with immigration! Down with ignorant leaders! Down with mid-night hell and Heaven meetings and up with meetings to secure homes of our own, less churches and more stores, fewer lodges and more firms, More papers like The Freeman and less traveling cards, etc., more bank books and fewer lodge books, more farmers and laborers and less servants and dudes.

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Coming Negro Conference.

The Tuskegee Negro Conference composed of representatives of the masses of the hard working farmers in the "Black Belt" will be held at Tuskegee again this year on Feb., 21st These meetings are held under the auspicies of the Tuskegee Institute and have attrected attention through out the country, and have done great good.

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THEY WERE "WATER BOUND."

Society Jots And Flashes—The Sick—Editor Stead Thanked.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Rev. J. A. James attended the funeral of Will Ward on the 15th inst. Rev. B. A. J. Nixon, of Columbia, Tenn., is in the city. We are sorry of the assignment of L. Winter & Son, of Nashville and Shelbyville, Tenn. We hope they will pull through all right. Prof. R. P. Purdy says their school is in good condition. Mrs. T. T. Ransom is agent for the Queen of Home. You can get The Freeman at Dr. Overton's office and barber shop. Dr. S. V. Talby is building a new house on his lot. Sherman Clabron is at home. His wife has been very sick. Lon Henderson and Miss Julia Bowman were married on the 20th inst. Mt. Zion Baptist church organized a literary society on the 17th inst. Lee Trail was in on the 20th inst. He says wheat looks well. Ben Ransom was in the city yesterday. Cowan, Gilliland and Clabron were water bound Saturday night. Jabe McChristian left for Louisville, Ky., on the 17th ult. We like the appointment of Lieutenant John H. Alexander made by President Cleveland. Good for the sons of Ham. Dan Blakemore and wife will go to Nashville, Tenn., to see her sister. Louis Myres is on the sick list. Capt. James Jette went to Washington, D C., on the 22nd inst. Fred Sanduaky, of Philadelphia, Pa., is at home for a few weeks. Thanks to Editor W. T. Stead; he is good. Every member of the race ought to take The Freeman, at $1.00 a year. Just think of what we get for the money. We will never have such a chance again. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

A SENSIBLE AFRO-AMERICAN.

He Wills His Money to A Negro Institution of Learning.

Springfield, Ohio, Special.

Wheeling Grant one of Yellowsprings, Ohio's wealthiest colored citizens who has been seriously ill has made a second will leaving the bulk of his possessions to Wilberforce University. Against this some of the enemies of this school are protesting. They are making every effort to induce him to change his will or make another. If he has seen fit in his own judgement to give to his own people his earthly possessions, where they will get the direct benefit instead of giving to the white people of his town who have always been dead enemies to race, what right has any one to dictate to him what he shall do in this matter? Would it not be a great deal better for him to leave his money in the hands of his own people so they get the benefit of it? The devotion and respect shown to a fellow brother when he finishes his earthly career by the hotel waiters of this city is often wondered at and praised. They never fail to turn out and pay their last respects to one of their brothers. Geo. Sneed was in Washington, C H., on business, last week. There has been an appeal made to Gov. McKinley by our three representatives in the legislature, asking him to make every possible effort to bring the parties to justice who assisted in lynching Young Parker at West Union, O. The judge in the charge to the grand jury urged each one of them to make dilligent search for each individual who caused or took part in the lynching. The jury has found twelve true bills against parties known to the jury. Indictments have been made against several of Cincinnati's reporters who seemed to know all about the affair. The Afro-Americans of Ohio demand that these perpetrators be brought to justice, at whatever the cost may be. For this damnable outrage upon the Negroes of Ohio must be stopped and allow the law to take its course or the penalty will be paid by more than one man. At the Y. M. C. A. meeting last Sabbath, Rev. T. A. Carman of First Baptist church preached a very able discourse, after which he and his little boy sang a song entitled "I will follow Thee" which made quite an impression. On next Sabbath Rev. Simon of the First Lutheran church will preach. Geo. Bright and Mr. Keller of Wittenburg college, two of the finest singers in Springfield will furnish music for the occasion. Ladies are especially invited to attend, this is the last one they are invited to attend. This Sabbath, at North St. church memorial exercises will take place for the late Bishop Daniel A. Payne. The Sabbath school will render a special program at 2 p. m. Prof. T. D. Scott of Wilberforce will preach in the morning, and at night will deliver a eulogy on Bishop Payne.

WHERE QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Will Be Held—K. of P. Lodge To Be Organized.

Peoria, Ill., Special.

Rev. N. J. McCracken will hold Quarterly meeting as follows: Springfield, St. John's, Jan. 28th; Mattoon and Paris, Feb. 4th; Gibson City, Feb. 11th; Decatur Feb. 18th; Litchfield and Shelbyville, Feb. 25th; Upper Alton and Virolen, Mar 4th; Springfield, St. Paul, Mar. 11th; Jacksonville and Pittsfield, Mar. 18th; Quincy, Ill., Quincy, Miss., Mar. 25th. There will be a K. of P. lodge organized in this city in the near future. The ladies of the A. M. E. church will give a masque social next Wednesday evening, and will present a gold ring to the most comically dressed lady present.

Mrs. Franklin, of Fisher street, is canvassing for portrait work, W. G. Green is our soap vender. The Colored American Protective Association will give a concert and dance at Sylvan park, Jan. 31st. Stanton Fields received word last Tuesday that his uncle, George Fulton, of Dayton, O., had died that day. Wm. Hudson, who swindled Mrs. Turner, of Bridge street, out of $105, received a sentence of two years at Joliet. Chas. Ford and wife, of Chicago, Ill., are the guests of Mrs. Boone, W. Jefferson street. Mrs. Elizabeth Alexander, 1016 Second street, has just recovered from a severe attack of la grippe. Mr. Poindexter has returned to the city, after an absence of several months. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Woods mourn the loss of their infant child.

Mrs. R. Moody, of 709 State street, has been quite sick. H. N. Burrell, 419 Seventh street, has been suffering from la grippe. The Bradley Band will give a concert in the near future. Jno. Richardson will be soloist. The date will be announced later. Jesse Nelson, of Quincy, Ill., arrived in the city last week and will make his home with the family of Rev. J. S. Woods. Mrs. J. R. Smith was taken sick very suddenly at the A. M. E. church Sunday evening. The A. M. E. church choir has been reorganized under the leadership of H. C. Hagan. The Zion Baptists will give a Martha Washington concert Friday, Jan. 26th.

An Interesting Entertainment.

Knoxville Tenn., Special.

Rev. Luk, traveling missionary preached Sunday Jan., 14th to a large crowded house. The entertainment gotten up by Prof. Brown, Geo. Scaggs and Chas. Giles for the benefit of the Old Folks' Home will be very interesting. There is a revival going on at Rue Rileys church; there is much good being done. Tell your friends about the Freeman. Little Johnny and Viola Bridges have gone to Chicago, Ill., to join their mother; they were accompanied by their aunt, who will also reside there. Sawery and Griffin's Vaudeville Co. appeared at at Stoub's Theatre Jan, 16th to a fair house. Edward Martin is able to be at his post. Chas. Scott has fixed up his saloon nicely.

Bad Boys Break Up A Meeting.

Carthage, Mo., Ssecial.

Washingtong's birthday will be celebrated by the Lincoln Schools. Fred Blair visited the Lincoln schools recently. D. Motley of Springfield, Mo. G. U. O. of O. F. was in the city a few days ago. Mrs. Mary Poole is very sick at her home on East Third steet. The Southwestern Teachers association has decided to hold its next meeting at Pleasant Hill, Mo. The Union meeting which was doing so much good was broken up by a corps of bad boys. Sylus Hix is again at the woolen mill.

Real Estate Deals.

Union City, Tenn., Special.

Green Caldwell has bought a house and lot of Mr. Polk. S. C. Cooper has sold his house and lot and is going to farm south of this city. The Young Charm lodge No. 3361, G. U. O. of O. F., has abandoned and the most of them have enrolled in Charm of the West No. 2494, G U O. of O. F. Mrs. Thos. Haily died on the night of the 18th. The Freeman will print your news if you report to the agent. J. C. Harper has bought another house and lot The Freeman will be delivered at your door for 5 cents per copy.

The Reading Circle.

Bowling Green, Ky., Special.

The Union met Sunday afternoon at Bethel Baptist church. Rev. R. Mitchell took a flying trip to Owensboro, Ky. Mrs. Cal. Beachamp and Mrs. Johnson are very sick. The physicians have been kept busy this week vaccinating the teachers and students of the different schools of the city. Rev. C. C. Clark filled the pulpit at State St. church during the pastor's absence. Reading circle met at the residence of Mrs. Buonner's, Friday night and elected new officers. Miss P. F. Mayo gave quite an excellent lecture at Simmons' Memorial college, Friday evening, Jan., 19th.

THE OLD BRUTAL STORY!

Viewed through a Lawyers Eyes Spirit That Underlies

Lynch Law—At Last Threaten the Peace And Equilibrium of the Whole Country—An Able Argument.

The venerable Douglas has very suggestively said "Lynch law is no law." We might add if it is carried out extensively, it is anarchy, barbarism. Just now it seems that the lifeless corpse of the Negro Problem has been raised from the dead and with its new quickening, lynch law, race prejudice, inferiority of certain human species, like Banquo's ghost have again claimed the time and attention of the public

If popular government means anything, if the high sounding phrases, a government of the people, by the people and for the people, means that mobocracy shall be supreme, then we bow in submission to the inevitable decree of what is a lawless element.

The far seeing statesmen, who laid the foundation of our government instituted courts for the trial of crime. And why? Because they were CIVILIZED and were above the semi-civilized and barbaric customs of Indians, South Sea Islanders and Orientals. They had arisen above that custom of friends and relations retaliating upon accused persons for some supposed wrong. The Jury system was instituted. Men were tried in courts for their crimes and let go or remanded for punishment as the courts might decree.

It is intended that every man should have a fair and an impartial trial. Be confronted with the charges, have counsel and witness in his behalf. Every man is innocent until he is proven guilty in a court of competent jurisdiction. He is amenable to the court for such wrongs as he has commited. The LAW prescribes the PUNISHMENT. Since men lynched are not proven guilty, the assumption is that they are innocent.

Lynch law has become so prevalent that now the government must unsheathe the sword and fight in self defense. Lynchings are so common in the South that men take part without compunction. They read of them with delight. The children are carried out to see the roasting of a Negro in order that they may detest and loathe the feeling of shame and horror which the Creator has given. That many charges are made against innocent men must be admitted. That they are all not lynched for the crime of rape is proven.

Miss I. B. Wells has investigated the lynching for ten years; these are her figures; number lynched in 1882-52, 1883-39, 1884-53, 1885-77, 1886-73, '87-70, 1888-72, 1889-95, 1890-100, 1891-169, [1892-159] total 959. 253 were lynched for murder, 269 for rape, 44 for robbery, 37 for incendiarism, 32 for reasons unstated, 27 race prejudice, 13 quarreling with white men, 10 for making threats, 7 for rioting, 5 for miscegination, 4 for buglary. Will Lewis was drunk and saucy to white folks at Manchester, Tenn., for the offence he was punished with death at the hands of a mob. The year 1893 is not included in the itemized ttatement.

But figures and instances of this kind are abundant. Not more than 80 per cent of the lynchings are brought to public notice and when they are the details are so highly colored as to make the victim a devil, and the mob a band of angels; in many instances the ring leaders of the mobs write the accounts for the papers, thus chronicling lies for future history and precedents. There is not room in a paper of this kind to mention the woes brought on by lynch law, the homes made desolate, the wives made widows and the parents made childless. Could all these bereaved people be brought together it would make a sight that would move most if not all men to pity.

Hearing the walls and lamentations of wives for husbands, husbands for wives and children for fathers, who were snatched away unfairly and unjustly would cause the sympathetic chords to be overburdened and broken with grief And yet this course of things continues. Men whose only crime is, that they are black, are murdered without a shadow of a legal trial.

A few cases of lynching may occur in the North and have been pleaded as an extenuation for those which occur in the South. In the North the sole cause for most lynchings is supposed guilt for crime, (and this does not constitute or give a right for lynching,) but in the south the white lynchers, lynch Negroes knowing and hoping that they may be bluffed out of their constitutional and political rights. They loathe the Negro and hate him with a perfect hatred; just say "Nigger" if you want to arouse the average Southern white man's mean' base, low, lawless nature. The lynchers do not become insane either as Bishop Haygood has said; they become just what they always were—Negao haters.

Inferior by nature, inferior by 250 years of recent servitude, inferior because black, these are the white man's reasons. He is to be coerced from his guaranteed political and civil rights, oppressed, murdered, lynched and roasted for every cause, a bigoted set of lawless hoodlums may demand. The record is a black one. Lynch law keeps out immigration and capital, for men will not come or invest their money in any country or section of the country where lawlessness increases daily. Lynch law has blunted the moral and literary taste of the South. No great reform can take place as long as it is tolerated; no great men will stay within its borders as long as their ears are lashed with the wailing and suffering of six million human beings.

Its woes and damages are countless. If it is not stopped, the bands who now murder the black men will begin to murder the white men. States will be weakened, chaos will rule supreme, property will be despoiled on every hand the government will totter, reel and fall into the depths of oblivion.

Let not the Negro be disfranchised as some say, let him not be deported to a distant land but give him justice, fair play and equality before the law. The sentiment at present in the South is not to punish lynchers. Men can not be found who will serve on juries for such purposes. If they do they always bring in the stereotyped verdict "Not guilty," and then would vote gold medals to those who led the mobs

The law of every state whose record is so dark with lynching, is sufficient to reach the mobs. Legislation is not needed, the people must be regenerated, christianized and many must be civilized. A public sentiment must be aroused that will put the law into effect, Men who commit crime must be tried at the proper tribunal. "Crime is crime, and is no worse because it is committed by black men, and is not mitigated when committed by white men." The white man must learn his interest is the black man's; they must join hands in justice, equality before the law and in christianity to make this a progressive, wealthy and influential section of this country.

Lynchers must be deterred from their reckless dealings with human life; then the anathemas of the world will be hushed, men can dwell in peace and security, resting upon and helping to uphold the strong arm of the law, The greatest problem of the world will be solved, when malice, hatred and race prejudice have been eliminated, for then to each side of the equation can be added christianity and the result will be happiness, good will and peace to all men. The cry of the blatherskites and caluminators of the black man will be as silent as the tomb for the black man coming rejoicing bringing in the golden sheaves to build up the waste and desert places of this unhappy Zion, will be an object of respect and not of mobs and of lynch law. Haste the happy day. Speak of the evils, agitate, educate, get culture, cash and christianity and He who swings the pendulum, that ticks the destines of all, will bridg the time when you shall arise in glory, power, strength and might. J. L. W.

Nashville, Tenn.

The Opening Week in '94.

Lincoln University, Pa., Special.

The school bell rang and the great wheel began to roll One, Two, Three. Recitations and a meeting of the Lyceum constituted the first day's work. Saturday passed pleasantly by and the first Sunday in the glad new year was ushered in. Prof. W. D. Kerswill preached two good sermons. Monday brought forth the beginning of the week of prayer. Dr. Rendall made the opening address, which was a masterly production. Tuesday evening Prof. J B. Renda l and a classmate of his, Rev. Williams, of Western Pennsylvania, led the devotional exercises. The addresses were both excellent. Wednesday evening Dr. Hodge spoke concerning foreign missions. Thursday evening Rev. Stewart addressed a good congregation in his usual earnest and impressive way. Friday, at 2:30 p. m., there was a special meeting conducted by five young men from Princeton Seminary and Rev. Hodge, of Oxford. The young men, Messers. Laboree, Weisly, Hoffman and Davis were very earnest and impressive in their prayers and lectures. And Mr. Bennett, a sweet soloist. At 7 p. m. the very affable Dr Martin preached from John 1, 47. His theme was: "Go and find your brother, give him the message and bring him to Christ." The boys of '94 feel truly grateful to the faculty for their kind considerations. They give us the class day Monday, June 4th. They give us the choice to take Political Economy or Analytic Geometry and to show our appreciation we take both.

And Still the Killing Goes On.

Spearsville, La., Special.

Noah Davis was shot and killed by a white man for asking for what was his. He was shot and killed Jan. 4, 1894, by Jesse Hollis, about nine miles northwest of Sailoh, La. This makes three men killed here in this county since 1889, besides there have been some three or four hanged by so-called unknown parties, all of these deaths happening from the hands of white men. Ann Nute, an old citizen of this place, died last month. Quite a number of small children died lately. Cotton is still 5 and 6 cents. Have had no cold weather yet. About twenty families desire to leave this state. Something must be done or an exodus will take place.

THE PARASITE'S LUCK.

By B. SQUARE.

Jim Dressie was an Afro lad,
Who claimed a lot of knowledge,
From every latest ball room fad,
To all that's learned at college.
He struck our town six months ago,
Dressed in a suit of brown,
And as he traveled to and fro
Was talked of, by the town.
Jim was 'way up in social lore
And spouted like a preacher,
When in debates, he took the floor
And played the part of teacher
For all the colored folks in town,
Who'd never been to College.
He ate the best that could be found,
And paid the bill with knowledge. (?)
For five long months he "worked" the town
(But never worked a muscle)
Till as a fraud we "turned him down"
And then he had to hustle,
But work and Jim were bitter foes—
Had been so all his life,
So Jim resolved to end his woes,
By finding him a wife.
"I'll pick out some smart servant girl,
Who's saved a lot of money;
My handsom face her heart will twirl,
Helped by my words of honey."
His handsome phiz and stylish duds
Soon won for him Jane Toller
Who'd been for years o'er tubs of suds,
The range and the wash-boiler.
So "they were wed when skies were blue"
In fashion, noise and bustle;
Instead of one, Jane now has two,
For whom she has to hustle.

Jan, 12, 1894. Brooklyn, N. J.

SCHOOLS IN OLD "KAINTUCK."

A Resume Of Henderson's Excellant Schools—Teachers, Buildings, Etc.

MR. EDITOR:

The question of education enters very largely into the solution of the Negro problem, and knowing this, I would like to inform the people of the state of the endeavor being put forth by our city to uplift the standard of education and morality among the race. The city provides two public schools, viz: the First and the Eighth St. schools. The former is manned with a corps of six teachers, the latter has four teachers. In this article, however, we shall speak particularly of First St. school.

This school has an enrollment of 400 pupils, and for the term ending Dec. 22, '93, registered a daily attendance of 85-87 per cent. When it registered in September, 1893, there were but five teachers assigned to it, but the enrollment was so large that, on recommendation of the principal, an additional teacher was appointed and finally elected. The school is not only succeeding, but its popularity is an assured fact, says Prof. E. S. Clarke, superintendent of city schools. The management of said school for a number of years was such that little, if any good, resulted, from the unpopularity of the principal in charge.

The management under the new principal, Prof. A. S. Pryor, has given entire satisfaction. Many changes looking to the comfort of pupils and the general efficiency of the work have been urged and made. No more do our boys and girls enter school and hitch their hats and cloaks to the "rusty nail," but upon a copper, tripple-forked hook, bright and clean. The tick of the pocket piece, too, has given place four months ago to the beautiful eight day standard clock whose pendulum beats time in principal Pryor's room So much for "new blood!"

The vigilance of Prof. Pryor will ere long add many new improvements to the present facilities of the school, if he be encouraged and backed by the people. He is a master pedagogue and our people should rally around him for the redemption of their children The corps of the First St. school is namely: A. S. Pryor, A. M., of Lincoln University, Pa.; Miss Carrie M. Rickman, of Indiana; Miss Estella I. Rickman, of Indiana; Miss Viola Cabell, of Henderson, Ky.; Miss Anna Early, of Henderson, Ky.; Miss Julia P. Harris, of Virginia. Prof Pryor is lately of New York City, but a native Virginian. He is a gentleman of no mean address, and his lady assistants are of excellent report. The corps, on the whole, is the strongest the city has ever had.

The new brick school building promised the colored people three years ago in the compromise suit effected by Thos. H. Gaines, et al, seems to have miscarried by those in charge of our school. We beg leave to state for their information that said compromise does not invalidate our right to re-instate said suit. Indeed, there is still greater need of the building. We hope for an era of better feelings between the races here for the progress of our children in education and things in general. More anon!

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WATER LOCATION SENSE.

The Strange Faculty Possessed by Some Reptiles Even When Decapitated.

Reptiles and batrachians usually possess what may be termed the water location sense.

My attention was first called to this by my brother, who, while engaged in a natural history expedition in southeastern Texas, had what at the time we both considered a unique experience with a large sea tortoise.

This tortoise had been surprised some distance from the water, among the sand dunes that line the gulf shore, and on being overtaken had its head chopped off preparatory to serving as a very toothsome addition to our diet. Much to the surprise of the party the beheaded animal continued on its way toward the water.

Several times it was turned around, entirely or part way, but every time it was able to right its position perfectly and again make directly for the water.

At the time this was narrated to me I was of the opinion that there must have been something in the contour of the land that enabled the tortoise to regain the correct direction in each case.

Since then I have had numerous proofs that this ability belongs to a number of species of these animals in the West Indies, and that the loss of eyes and nasal organs, of the entire head and neck, in fact, apparently works no inconvenience to them in this particular. This is a family characteristic which, so far as I have been able to find, is not alluded to in any work concerning them.

The same singular ability may be observed in certain species of water frequenting snake. The common watersnake, often erroneously called the "water moccasin," almost invariably finds its way to the water, if not too far away, when its head is cut off.—St. Louis Republic.

The Color of Man.

The color of the skin in the various races of man has never yet been scientifically accounted for, although numerous mythological stories have been told and senseless theories advanced as reasons for the remarkable variations in hue. Nor have we any certain data concerning the color of the cuticle of the primeval man, the original "lord of creation." A pretty African legend is that be was as black as the proverbial ace of spades and that the present pale color of the Caucasian race is the result of the scare God gave Adam at the time of the fall.

It is proper to state here that the same legend says that the present black race are descendants of one of Adam's sons that was born and left Eden before the great change in color overtook our first parents. The Chinese believe that the original man was a creature half god and half man, and that his color came about as a result of bathing in a river of liquid gold. The Mussulmans, the American Indians and several oriental tribes and nations account for their prevailing red or copper color by telling the story of the great being creating the first pair from red kaolin, the common fire clay of the potter shops. —Exchange.

Soap For Chapped Hands.

"Contrary to the general notion," said a well known chemist, "good toilet soap is the best preventive against chapped hands that can be used. I don't mean its general use in washing, but as a salve or balm, just as you would apply camphor ice or vaseline. While the common soap generally used for cleaning about the house is of an alkali nature and chaps the skin terribly, a good toilet soap is neutral and acts as a balm to the irritated skin. In my business I have to wash my hands a great number of times a day At first I had great trouble, for my skin, being naturally tender, chapped easily, making large cracks in the flesh which made it dangerous for me to work in acids. At last I discovered by covering my hands with good toilet soap after I had washed them—rubbing it well into the skin—that I not only prevented chapping, but kept my hands in elegant condition. Vaseline and salves are very good, but none of them can do the work of a first class toilet soap. As I said, a toilet soap is neutral. A person could eat it without injury. Why, many of the pills which are prescribed for you are made out of nothing more than toilet soap."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

It Was Foggy.

Brazil is the hotbed of "prevaricators for amusement only." It has in actual existence an Ananias club, and rumor credits Judge Silas D. Coffey of the state supreme bench with the presidency. The judge tells a good story at the expense of John Vanes, proprietor of the Vanes boiler works, and a cousin to Carnegie, the iron king. He said that one morning while a party were camping at the judge's cottage they awoke to find the thickest fog on record. Vanes was missing, and a search was instituted. He was found just outside the door, where he was cutting out slices of the fog with a cornknife and spreading it with sorghum molasses for breakfast. Vanes denies this and says he was cutting loose the shadows of night that had got caught in the fog.—Brazil (Ind.) Cor. Cincinnati Enquirer.

Force of Habit.

Speaking of force of habit, some years ago there was an iron railing around the capitol grounds at Washington. The appropriation bill provided for a watchman to close and lock the gates every night at a certain hour and open them at a certain hour every morning. In the course of time the railing or fence was removed, but the gates swung between their Egyptian pillars for a long time, and all that time the watchman came and went regularly, closing and opening the gates according to law and drawing his salary.—New York Herald.

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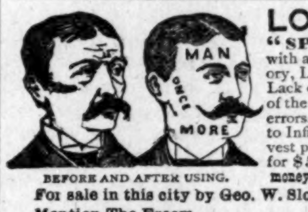

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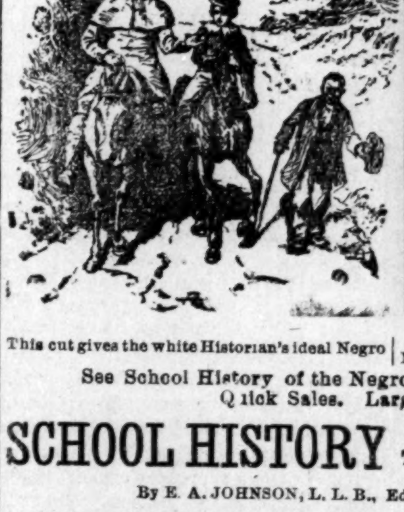

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MRS. ROGERS WEBB WRITES

Eulogistically of the Turner Convention—Carping

Criticism Condemned—Some Race Papers—Those far Away have Uttered the Most Unjust Reflections.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—The steady receipt of your valuable and independent speaking paper, for several weeks to this present address, has reinterested me considerably in the journal. It certainly fills a very significant and unique place, in our few really effective papers; and ought to be well supported nationally. So very busy as I have been in the past seven weeks spent in this Queen City, with delivering twenty five lectures and sermons, in three of the fine churches here, has kept me very full handed and preoccupied. I've not been able to cull the colered papers as closely as I like to do, and keep in unison with the tone of public opinion, on all public matters as discussed by them; but sufficent has reached my busy eye in three of them, to gives me a notion that many person have blundered very signally, in non-appreciation, or else non-comprehension of the effective way and disinterested purpose, with which the great mass of delegates attend the National Convention here, were actuated, and were only inspired.

Bishop Turner's able letters in the two late issues of The Freeman, aptly state wholesome, pungent truths about it and other matters, he most deft y writes pointedly on.

My report of the national convention was sent to three newspapers usually asking me for letters. One the Colored American, sent to say, it would not publish my full account, as I desired to have such appear, because full particulars of the meetings had been given so effectively in the city and other papers widely, that it became "late items." The Chicago "Bee-Free Speech" brought out one; and the Denver "Exponent" said that they would do so also. Can't say it has been done. I make this explanation, as to those two papers, Colored American and Exponent. I gave the very fullest credit, and made ample reviews, on the individual work of those I regarded as contributing very materially to the culmination of a successful meeting.

The later carping, senseless criticisms, unjust mention and small headed views uttered relative to the gathering, has truly been made by those who were far away, and only in perspective judges, of the merits or demerits of the earnest interested interested ones, who put out many dollars in coming in to swell the "unity seekers". They showed courage, and should have the credit for whatever may be resultants from the wise, seasonable, dignified and pronouced protests or appeals made to the brain and conscience of our land. To tear them down, builds no cause up. The best wisdom all hands can show now, in the light which the effects already produced of that convention disseminate, is to stop senseless vaporings and try to recognize an unselfish able, christianized effort, by appreciating it in two ways. Be equal to (instigating) a general and generous acceptance of the movement now started in the work done by the national canvention, and in its action as a National Congress, "taxing every man and woman in the race, one dollar or more annually, to raise a million or two of dollars to help rid the country of the many evils complained of." Shaping studiously by calm arguments, letters and wise editorials; the ordinary, untrained, but too easily misled minds, to see the great results that can only be achieved by having money to make a respectable presentment of cases on necessary occasions and subscribe their pro rata so as to unify wills, to readily comply gladly in every town, where the Equal Right Councils may be organized, and showing a spirit about the matter that will command confidence, general respect and attention, for a project that is most vital, and can only succeed, by that public opinion being crystalized thus advisedly.

I am too busy to write more fully to day, but beg to be reckoned as a ready, and ever present, active pecuniary participant in the success of this matter. I also desire the doubters who know me, if they live in Texas, Arkansas or anywhere else believe what I have personally witnessed, viz: that head of the Equal Rights Council, and the men aiding him, are full only of strong earnest purpose, to remove and break off the ugly blots and drawbacks, to the commercial, agricultural and social success, of the American people, as a whole, and that no Africanization or imigrational advisory purpose lays behind the Equal Rights Council, subordinate councils, or any double intent operates, in the actions taken.

I go to labor, at Columbus, Ohio, in a revival meeting at the St. Paul A. M. E. church, on 14th, for a fortnight; and all my friends anywhere, can find me for all the winter, by addressing me to my State headquarters:

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Brooklyn, N. Y., Special.

Seldom, if ever, has that section of the "City of Churches" known as "New Brooklyn" been bereaved as it was by the death of Mrs. Lotta Smith, the beloved wife of W. H. Smith, superintendent of St. John's A. M. E Sunday school. After a protracted illness of several months, Mrs. Smith passed away, leaving a devoted husband, an infant daughter and a host of relatives and friends to bear witness to the truth that "death loves a shining mark."

A committee of young folks of this section gave a charity ball for the benefit of the worthy poor colored people of the city. The "Committee of 99," as it is called, will do all in its power to ameliorate the sufferings of our poor. It looks as if the colored Republicans of Brooklyn will get their usual portion of the patronage turkey—the feathers—from the new Republican mayor and his "paramount" underlings. Chas. H. Lansing, Jr., has for years held a lucrative post under the Democrats, and thirteen colored "boys" (as one white leader calls us), started out after election to get Lansing's place. Geo. A. Corprew, of the Tenth Ward, Wm. Ryerson and Charles Johnson, of the Twenty-Fourth, Theo. D. Francis and Wm. A. (Gus) Thompson, of the Twenty-Fifth, are some of the "boys" still waiting for Lansing's desk in the court house

Edward E. Brock ("Garro Leslie"), Mrs. Matthews ("Victoria Earle"), Augustus M. Hodges ("B. Square"), Mrs. Margaret Ricald Lewis ("Fannie Fairfax"), and Mrs. Albert Wilson ("Mary Myrth"), are about to enter a journalistic field heretofore unexplored by Afro-American writers. I am not at liberty at this time to give the nature of this new journalistic venture, but the public and friends of these colored writers will be agreeably surprised on or before the 29th of this month. Copies of The Freeman can always be had at Thos. Logan's barber shop, 487 Adelphi street, where news items can always be left.

The Sun of Prosperity Shines There.

Blackburn, La., Special.

I ask your many readers to listen to what we are doing down here in this county, ten miles from any railroad, known as the Flat Sick community. Among our most prominent land owners are W. M. Woodford, Allen Jackson, John Turner and H. C. Talton, worth about $10,000 each. They grind corn and gin cotton for both white and colored. Our school is moving along nicely. Our highly esteemed principal, Miss Mattie Clark, is doing a great work here. Many of her students are now attending colleges for higher work. R. B. Belle, in Central Tennessee; E. Scott, in Wiley, Tex.; John Talton, Waco, Tex. She has twelve young ladies teaching in the public schools of this parish. Our pastor of the C. M. E. church, Rev. R. S. Shepherd, late presiding elder of the Shreaveport district, will move his family out here soon. The A. M. E. church is doing well. Wedding bells are ringing from every quarter. The grippe has many of us. R. B. Harris, H. Jackson, T. D. Turner, and Misses Bertha Woodfork and Oler Webb are on the sick list. From what we can see going on it makes us believe that our country has obeyed the command, "Git up and git!"

The Grip of La Grippe.

Blocker, Tex., Special.

The la grippe has gripped Henry S. Sims, Sr., and wife, Henry Sims, Jr., N. I. Fearance and five of his children, Mrs. M. J. Hynson, Charlott Williams, Alice Jackson, Margaret Goff and L. A. Anderson. Warren Perry, one of our wealthy farmers, lost his fifth wife some days ago. West Led Bettis' little daughter Australia is very ill. Rev. M. T. Jamison, editor of the Christian Index, and secretary of The Church Extension board of the C. M. E. church, is now spending six weeks on his farm with his family. He has visited ten states and conferences during the fall and the month of December. Prof. Walton Brown, B. P. and wife, C. H. Anderson and W. T. Preston have returned from Marshall, Tex, where they were attending a session of the Adams Teachers' Institute, of Harison county. The Classification society of which Hon. Henry S. Sims, Sr., is president, met at the C. M. E. church on the 17th.

Crossed The Swift River.

Newport, Ark., Special.

The funeral of sister Dosha Ann Babb took place here on Jan. 11, 1894, at 2 o'clock p. m., Rev. J. D. Dennis and J. W. Walker officiating ministers. The remains were laid to rest in the Walnut Grove cemetery. Sister Babb was born in Halifax county, Tenn., in 1826. She has been a member of the A. M. E. church for twenty eight years and a stewardess for fourteen years. Thy task on earth is done.

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SOME OLD TIME GAMES.

Many of the Present Day Sports Were Borrowed From the Past.

It is curious to note how some of the games of the early ages have been handed down to the present time. The game, for instance, known to most of us as odd and even was also a favorite with the young Egyptian, and many of the little counters that he used are still preserved in the British museum. There is also the game of drafts, which was played on a checkered board in the earliest times. The poor children were content with draftsmen and boxes made of rough pieces of clay, but the richer ones usually had beautifully carved iron headed draftsmen and boxes.

The young Greeks, too, were well provided with toys and games for their amusement. The toys were chiefly dolls made of baked clay, the arms and legs being jointed with string, and therefore movable. They had a favorite game called Chytriand, which has been preserved through many ages, and is now played by boys of today under the well known name of puss in the corner. In France the game is called quatre coins, or four corners. Both in the old game and in the modern version five players are required, one occupying each of the corners, while the fifth player stands in the middle. In ancient Greece he wore an earthen pipkin on his head and was called pot; in France at the present day he is the nigaud, or simpleton, and by us is called puss.

To guess the number of fingers another held up was also a favorite amusement, and this, too, is frequently played at the present time. So you see how carefully the character of the amusements and the playthings of the very early ages has been maintained in the toys and games in use today.—Newcastle Chronicle.

Save the Forests.

Some years ago the government of Bavaria sent a skilled forester to study the conditions of timber growth in the United States. While here he made the remark, as if speaking of a matter generally known and accepted:

"In 50 years you will have to import your timber, and as you will probably prefer American kinds we shall begin to grow them, in order to be ready to send them to you at the proper time."

What an instance of scientific forethought, and withal what a warning!

Perhaps it is not yet too late to grow on our own lands the timber we shall need a generation or two hence, but if we are to do so it is time to take rigorous steps to stop reckless forest destruction and to encourage scientific cultivation.

While our government sells outright its forest lands for $2.50 an acre, France obtains almost exactly the same sum yearly from each acre of its forest land by sales of timber. We spend our capital; France makes an income, and safeguards its capital.

Palissy, the famous French potter, who was wise in other things as well as in porcelain, declared that the neglect of forests in his day was "not a mistake, but a calamity and a curse for France." That country has since learned the lesson. When will ours follow its example?—Youth's Companion.

Cotton Gins.

Some recent improvements in cotton gins are claimed to insure much greater economy and efficiency than have hitherto been attained, the difficulty being now overcome of obtaining the full length of the various staples on account of the machinery in use tearing the lint before the parting of the entire length of the fiber from the rollers. As now improved, the machine is so constructed as to allow all changes for meeting these various lengths in staples to be made without even having to stop the operator from his work, whereas the gin now in use not only necessitates the stopping of the machine, but requires a great amount of time in which to effect the change. Another improvement in this machine is an appliance in connection with the inner blade, consisting of a spring which allows it to give when the pressure of cotton passing through the roller is too severe, thus preventing the inner and outer blades from coming in contact with each other. The great wear of the roller is by this means saved.—New York Sun.

Mickey and Con.

A book minded scion of the Verdant Isle was seeking intellectual food at the public library and could not quite make up his mind as to the particular literary repast he wished to make. In his hesitation he wandered over to the case where the freshest volumes of the library's store are displayed for the stimulation of mental appetites. Here he saw a book whose title satisfied him that he had found just the thing he wanted. It was "Micah Clarke," by Dr. A. Conan Doyle.

Approaching the attendant, he said:

"Please gimme 'Mickey Clarke,' by Con Doyle, out of that cupboard."

He got the book, but the expression on his face when he came back with it 10 minutes later proved that he had mistaken the nationality of his hero.—Boston Herald.

Cheerfulness.

That cheerfulness can be cultivated is well illustrated by the story of a lady and gentleman who were in a timber yard, situated by a dirty, foul smelling river.

The lady said, "How good the pine boards smell!"

"Pine boards!" exclaimed the gentleman. "Just smell this foul river!"

"No, thank you," the lady replied. "I prefer to smell the pine boards."—Ram's Horn.

Stacked Against Him.

Traveler—Say, my friend, there's no meat in this sandwich.

Waitress—No?

Traveler—Hadn't you better give that pack another shuffle and let me draw again?—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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Reader, do you ever notice that some people seem to have good luck all the time, no matter what they do, they seem to prosper, while others, yourself may be, have such a hard time to get along, no matter how hard they try, they find at the end of the year they are no better off than when they started. This is because they have not the Talisman, while the successful people, in all probabilities, have been to one of the few genuine mediums and obtained one.

If you are unsuccessful in business, have bad luck, things go wrong with you, then you should have an Egyptian Talisman. This removes all evil influences, brings good luck, and keeps all trouble and sickness away. Do not marry, begin any business or do anything until you have secured one of her Talisman. It will bring back the runaway lover wife or husband.

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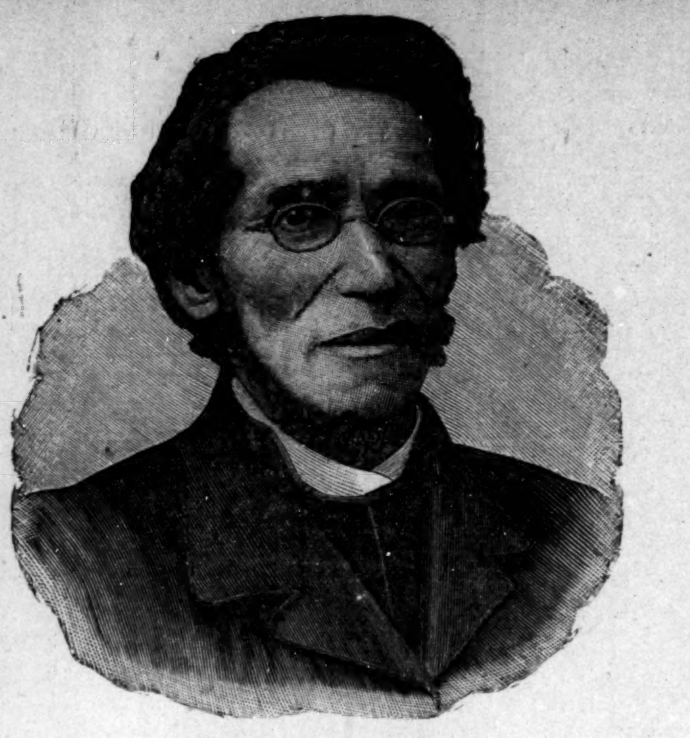

THE LATE BISHOP PAYNE.

See Dr. John M. Henderson's resume of his life on page 5.

CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

Low rates and prompt delivery—Freeman Job Office.

Jessie Ringgold is improving at this writing.

"Dearest sister I am dying."—Charlie Winston.

A great many white people will attend the contest.

"Then shall it be in war?"—Archie Claybrooks, as "Jepthah"

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The masses of the young people are elated over the coming contest,

Miss Sadie Lee is visiting friends in New Albany, Ind. and Louisville, Ky.

"I have a message to the Prince"—Willie Hill, in Jepthah and his Daughter.

"While thy life blood ebbs away, I can but watch and weep."—Mayme Clay.

Mrs. Bell Cheatham, of Columbus, Ohio, is very ill at the residence of Calvin Brooks.

"Shall we not wait till the going down of the sun and not despair?"—Sheridan Davis.

Tickets are going very fast for the National contest. Secure a reserve seat ticket in time.

Harry Jones is visiting his brother-in-law, L. W. Montgomery. He will make this city his home.

The Y. M. C. A. hall will be crowded to witness the National contest. Go early if you wish a good seat.

Have your wedding, birthday, and anniversary reception invitations printed at The Freeman Job department, 127 Indiana avenue.

Prepare for the National Championship contest at the Y. M. C. A. hall, 33 N. Illinois street, February 7th.

Rev. L. M. Stanley of Louisville, Ky., was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Knox, North Tenn. St. this week.

The Herculean club meets every Thursday night at L Moss and J. Franklin's barber shop on Indiana Ave.

Don't fail to witness the Piano Recital contest between Prof. R B. Shelton and Prof. Wm. Baynard, of Philadelphia, Pa.

"Strike where my young heart beats!"—Edna Gist, as Ipheginia, in "Jepthah and his Daughter," January 29th, at Masonic hall.

NOTICE! Comfortable rooms for three gentlemen can be secured at 223 W. Vermont street. Enquire at house. Mrs. A. V McIsaacs

Rev. L. M. Haygood P. E. of the Lexington, Ky., district, was in the city this week a guest of Rev. Mr. Furgeson, pastor of Simpson Chapel.

J. A. Porter, of Chicago, the leader of the Imperial quartette, which is traveling with Nat Goodwin's Co., gave the Freeman a call while in the city.

Mrs. L. W. Montgomery has returned from Covington, Ky., where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs L. B. Howard, and brother, Harry Jones.

The National contest between the Tennessee Warblers, the Chicago Quartette and the Hoosier Quartett, February 7th, will be an eventful occasion.

Listen to the ringing of Timbrels, sounding of cymbals, tibrets, and blowing of bugles at Masonic Hall, Monday evening Jan., 29th. in the dramatic cantata, "Jephthah and His Daughter."

The cantata "Easter, the Beautiful Queen," will be given by some of the Corinthian church folks and others, about the last of February or first of March. Rehearsals are being held regular each week with increasing interest.

Mardy Gras Celebration at New Orleans and Mobile.

The Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton R. R. will make rates of one fare for the round trip from all points to New Orleans and Mobile, account of the Mardi Gras celebrations; tickets on sale Jan 30th to Feb. 4th, inclusive, final limit returning Feb. 28, 1894.

The Tomb.

Died Friday January 19th, Mrs. Jane Janette Thomas, mother of Mrs. Lillian Thomas Fox, and sister of Mrs. N. Smothers; age 64 yrs. 4 months.

Died Wednesday Jan. 17th, Charles T. Thomas, aged 21 yrs. 5 months, 25 days. Son of Mrs. Jane Janetta Thomas, brother of Lillian Thomas Fox.

The funeral, a double one, was held at Bethel A. M. E. church, Jan. 22nd, at 2 p. m. under the auspices of the Sisters of Charity, of which Mrs. Thomas was an old and honored member. Dr. Henderson, pastor of Vermont street church, preached the discourse over the remains of the mother; Rev. Mr. Ferguson, of Simpson Chapel, performing the same service on behalf of the son and brother, through whose ministrations and attentions the deceased had found peace, and the blessings of God. Mrs. Thomas had been a resident of Indianapolis for many years, and was known and highly esteemed by all the old families of the city and vicinity. She was a relict of Rev. Byrd Parker, father of Mrs. Lillian Thomas Fox, in his day, one of the foremost men of the A. M. E. Connection. Beside her sister and daughter, an elder son and neice, Mrs. Archie Bowan survive her. A very large concourse of friends and acquaintances attended the obsequies.

Jeptha and His Daughter at Masonic Hall Monday Night.

The dramatic musical cantata, "Jeptha and his Daughter," to be rendered at Masonic hall, corner Washington and Tennessee streets, Monday night, promises to be a noted affair largely attended. The following is the

DRAMATIC PERSONEA:

Jeptha, Ninth Ruler of Israel, baritone,	Will Hunt
Prophet, bass,	Amos Bybee
Ibran, Jewish Prince, bass,	Sheridan Davis
Elon, " " tenor	George Gray
Eloni, Jewish Soldier, tenor,	C. E. Winston
Arnold a Messenger,	Willie Hill
Camp Gard No. 1,	Elijah Bybee
Camp Guard No 2,	Floyd Gist
Iphigenia, Jeptha's Daughter, soprano,	Edna Gist
Adah, Daugeter of Elon, and Iphigenia's friend, mezo-soprano,	Bertha Taylor
Naoma, Jewish Maiden, and Sister of Eloni, alto,	Mamie Clay
Sarah, Ruth, Anah, Leah, Maidens of Gillead	Sop. Biddie Miller; " Laura Clay; Alto, Eliza Barbee; " Philo Stewart
Argument,	Hon. J. T. V. Hill.

Jewish soldiers, maidens, and chorus by company.

The Committee of Fifty.

The Committee of Fifty's last meeting was held Thursday night of last week, at which time the committee on Constitution and By-laws brought in a report through its chairman, Hon John Puryear, the same being accepted and adopted. During the evening W. Allison Sweeney, by request, read an extract from the speech delivered by Editor Stead, of the Review of Reviews of London, Eng., before the Prudence Crandell club, of Chicago. Chairman Elbert has designated February, 22nd, Washington's birthday as the occasion when a general and public meeting will be held. place named hereafter.

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Clubs Organized.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Friday night, Jan. 12th, Miss Birdie Allen entertained a few friends at her home. Among the guests was Miss Mamie Bryant, of Nashville, Tenn. Last Monday night at the residence of Boyd Johnson, a few ladies and gentlemen met for the purpose of organizing a club, and by common consent G. P. Keller was made chairman of the meeting, and the following officers were elected: Miss Lucy Turnley, president; I. Carway, vice-president; Miss Eliza Johnson secretary, James Sykes assistant secretary; Miss Katie Johnson, treasurer. This club will be known as the "Pleasure Seeking club." On Friday, the 19th, there was a club organized to be known as the "Standard Club, Jr." The following officers were elected: J. Cobb, president; W. Allen, vice-president; G. W. Wright, secretary; A. Farley, assistant secretary. Mr. and Mrs. Walker Turnley mourn the loss of their little daughter Estella, Jan. 19th. She was buried from the family residence last Sunday. G. W. Brockman is on the sick list. The entertainment given by the members of Fifth Ward Baptist church, was a success. Rev. H. Meadcalf, pastor in charge of St. John Baptist church, preached to a very large congregation last Sunday. You can get The Freeman every Saturday by calling on Master Willie Johnson.

St. Mary's Temple to Build.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

Aunt Maria Logan, age 77 yrs. died on the 19th inst, and was buried on the 20th. Hon. C. H. Brooks, of Philadelphia, Pa., arrived in this city on the 17th, and departed on the following day. Elijah Reeves has applied to the circuit court for a divorce from his wife Mollie Reeves. Simon Amos, of the U. S. fleet, is in the city. The first entertainment at the new Baptist church was a financial success. Quite a number of people are on the sick list. Wm. Hynes commonly known as "Buff" will play a prominent part in the "Mistletoe Bough" which comes off soon. St. Mary's Temple, U. B. F. is arranging to build them a new edifice on their lot near 7th and Adams street. The Universal Brotherhood a mutual benefit association with headquarters at Natchez, Miss., will it is understood establish an agency here soon. If you have any items call on M. Bradshaw 419 Jackson street. Pay what you owe, as it takes money to run a newspaper.

The Church Propped With Trees.

Crawfordsville, Ark., Special.

Ned Cochran, worth $10,000, died this week, he was one of our wealthiest men of color. Susie Scruggs and Carra Vinzant are attending college in Little Rock. Lizzie Tucker visited friends in the city this week. The colored people of this vicinity want a Baptist church, Sunday school, literary society, classification society, a cemetary for burial purposes. The Freeman agent recommends to them as an auxillary for 100 to subscribe and read The Freeman each week and they will learn quicker what to do to secure their aims and objects. A great anxiety is felt for the members and friends of St. John Baptist church as it is proped up with three or four trees, and it is believed that it is likely to fall or be blown down sometime during services. Several ladies and children were badly hurt last summer in it.

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Stamford, Conn., Special.

Mme. Sissleretta Jones sang in the Grand opera house Jan. 16th. A full house greeted the famous singer. She was recieved with great applause. Mr. John Howard's family have all been suffering from la grippe. Mrs. Alice L. Hill, of Milford. was in Stamford Wednesday Jan. 17th. Rev. Ceasar A. A. Taylor, D. D. is expected here on 27th or 30th of Jan. Rev. Moses Haskins has been suffering severely from an attack of rheumatism.

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Slipped And Hurt Herself.

Bonham, Tex., Special.

The people of Bonham are faring very well. While some families are dependent on the wages of one man, others can find work for each member of the family. Calvin Dickinson has a blacksmith shop; Jesse Brown has a lunch stand; P. H. Hollingsworth and Jesse Brown have a fine barber shop. Mrs. Ella Doss is teaching a subscription school, in east part of town. Mrs. L. A. Tyson is teaching school near Ivanhoe, about eight miles northeast of Bonham. Mrs. Fannie Brown slipped and fell on the street, injuring her hip severely. Mrs. Lena Alexander, of East End, and Mrs. Frances Baker, of Tank Town, are very sick. Mr. Sam Seay is having his house furnished. The Freeman is on sale every Saturday at Brown's barber shops.

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